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IN IMITATION

OF

THE EASTERN SONGS.

Thine, O Lord, is the greatneſs, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the Majeſty; for all that is in heaven and in earth is thine. Thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and Thou art exalted as head above all. Both riches and honour come of thee, and Thou reigneſt over all. And in thine hand is power and might, and in thine hand it is to make great, and to give ſtrength unto all. Now, therefore, our God, we thank Thee, and praiſe Thy glorious Name.

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ON

THE LORD'S PRAYER.

OUR FATHER, — O moſt Mighty Lord, Who haſt created and made all things, and vouchſafeſt to behold us, the works of Thy hands, with tender love and compaſſion; even in our ſinful and fallen ſtate;

WHICH ART IN HEAVEN, — Thou, Who filleſt the whole Univerſe, and art every where preſent; but manifeſteſt Thy Great Glory more eſpecially in the Hea-

ven of Heavens, where bleſſed Spirits contemplate Thy Works with perfect adoration;

HALLOWED BE THY NAME, To Thee be offered up, continually, Praiſe, and Thankſgiving.— May Thy Holy Name be ſanctified, and with deep veneration adored, by all reaſonable beings: and may they, naming it, conſider, with attentive minds, how infinitely Great, and Holy, and Good, Thou art.

THY KINGDOM COME, May Thy bleſſed Kingdom, even the abolition of all evil, the perfecting of all Righteouſneſs, and the viſible Reign of Chriſt on Earth, be haſtened. Oh may the days draw near, when all the kingdoms of the World

ſhall

ſhall become the Kingdoms of The Lord, and of Thy Chriſt; when Thy People ſhall be converted, and reſtored to their own Land; and when the Saints, who are dead in Chriſt, ſhall reign with Him in Glory, for the compleating the happineſs, and perfection, of all Thy Servants, and of all Thy Works.

THY WILL BE DONE.

But in all things, Lord, Thy Will be done.—During theſe preſent days, may we be placed in ſuch a ſituation, as Thou ſeeſt to be beſt, and moſt expedient for us; and be made to chooſe and follow ſuch things, as may enable us conſcientiouſly to perform our duty, and

to work Thy work, whilſt yet our day is continued unto us.

ON EARTH, AS IT IS IN HEAVEN, And Oh, at length, may the hearts of all be ſo converted, that the obedience of the Inhabitants of the Earth, may become truly an imitation of that perfect obedience, with which Bleſſed Spirits rejoice to do Thy Will in Heaven.

GIVE US DAY BY DAY OUR DAILY BREAD; Supply us, Lord, day by day, with ſuch ſupports and comforts of Life, as Thou ſeeſt to be fit and expedient for us. And, above all, give us continually the Bread which cometh down from Heaven; even the Light, and Life, which is obtained through our Lord Jeſus Chriſt.

AND

AND FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES, AS WE FORGIVE THEM THAT TRESPASS AGAINST US;

And forgive us our manifold offences, and follies, and perverſe tranſgreſſions: and whilſt we hope for remiſſion of our ten thouſand talents, at Thy hands, Oh may we be diſpoſed ſincerely to forgive, every one, our brethren, that have offended againſt us, their hundred pence.

AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION,

Merciful Lord, let us not deceive our own Souls, with hypocritical, unmeaning profeſſions; neither be deluded, by imagining we keep Thy Holy Laws, whilſt in ſo many things we offend all: but may we ever watch, and pray; and eſcape thoſe ſnares of vice and wickedneſs, which ſurround us,

us, and would draw us to perdition.

BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL, Oh, deliver us from the tyranny, and power, of Sin, and Satan, which we labour under. Deliver our Souls from the ſuggeſtions of the Evil one: and Deliver us from the habits of tranſgreſſing, which rage in our hearts: and from the grievous judgements, and afflictions, which might moſt juſtly overwhelm us.

FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM, For Thine, O Lord, is the Rule, and Dominion, over the whole Univerſe.—There can finally be no Power, or Kingdom, in this World, or in that which is to Come, but Thine. And though, for the preſent time, the

the whole Creation groaneth, and Thy Work of Redemption is not yet fully known; in Thy due time it muſt finally be revealed, and manifeſted unto all; and Thou wilt truly appear The Lord of all.

AND THE POWER. Thine alſo is the Power: Thou, Lord, and Thou only, art able to deliver us, and to redeem our Souls, and to perfect all things.

AND THE GLORY, FOR EVER AND EVER, And if we be at length ſaved, and made happy, it is of Thy free goodneſs, and by Thy help alone, and not by our own ſtrength. To Thee, therefore, O Moſt Merciful, and Mighty Lord God, be all

all the Glory, for ever and ever.

AMEN. Oh, may this Our Prayer be heard and accepted.

HYMN

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PART THE FIRST.

HYMN I.

THOU, O Lord, haſt made all things in Heaven and in Earth: and Thy tender care is over all.

2. Innumerable Worlds ſtood forth at Thy command; and by Thy word they are filled with glorious works.

3. Who can comprehend the boundleſs Univerſe? or number the Stars of Heaven?

4. Are they not the Habitations of Thy Power? filled with manifeſtations of Thy Wiſdom and Goodneſs?

Ver. 2. See the Introduction to Ferguſon's Aſtronomy, and alſo Derham's Aſtro-theology.

Ver. 3. See the Philoſophical Tranſactions, vol. LVII. p. 234.

5. Amidſt them Thou haſt provided a dwelling for Man; that he alſo might praiſe Thy Name.

6. The Sun ſhineth and is very glorious; and we rejoice in the light thereof.

7. We admire its brightneſs, and perceive its greatneſs; and our Earth vaniſheth in compariſon with it.

8. Yet what is this amidſt Thy Works? is it not as a point, and as nothing in the firmament of Heaven?

9. What then is man, that Thou art mindful of him? or the ſon of man, that Thou viſiteſt him?

10. Should he preſume to look up unto Thee? or can his prayers come before the Moſt High?

Ver. 7. The Sun, even according to the old and leaſt computation, was found to be about 763000 miles in diameter, and the earth about 7970; from whence it would follow, that the Sun is, at leaſt, about 878000 times as big as the Earth; how vaſt then muſt the diſproportion be, ſince it now appears in conſequence of our attaining a more accurate knowledge of the Sun's parallax, that the difference of their diameter is ſtill much greater.

Ver. 8. Wiſdom of Solomon, c. xi. ver. 22. It appears clearly, and to demonſtration, from the obſervations made in the Philoſophical Tranſactions, in the paper alluded to ver. 3, that the Sun itſelf is loſt, as a mere point, in the immenſity of the Univerſe.

11. Wilt

11. Wilt Thou regard him? or have reſpect unto his ways?

12. Behold, O Lord, my Soul truſteth on Thee; for Thou haſt created all things, and wilt not neglect Thy works.

13. Thou cauſeſt the graſs to grow, and the Tree to ſhoot forth leaves and fruit.

14. Thou haſt created, and upholdeſt all living creatures: if Thou withdraweſt Thy hand they periſh.

15. Thou art ever nigh unto us: for in Thee we live, and move, and have our being.

16. Thy Power is circumſcribed by no bounds; both great and ſmall are alike unto Thee.

17. And Thine infinite and Divine attributes are manifeſted, by upholding and caring for all Thy works.

18. From the Sun in the firmament of heaven, to the ſand on the ſea ſhore, all is the operation of Thy hand.

Ver. 13. Matth. c. vi. ver. 28.
Ver. 15. Acts c. xvii. ver 28.
Ver. 16. Job c. xxv. ver. 5. Pſalm xc. ver. 4.
Ver. 17. Heb. c. i. ver. 3.

19. From the Cherubin and Seraphin, who ſtand before Thee, to the worm in the bowels of the Earth, all living creatures receive of Thee, what is good and expedient for them.

20. And not one ſuffereth change, without Thy knowledge.

21. Praiſe then the Lord, O my Soul, and rejoice before Him.

22. Lift up thyſelf unto Him with reverence, for He heareth thy prayer, and will help thee.

23. O my God, give me an underſtanding heart; and make me to be filled with true wiſdom.

24. Make me to know Thee, O Moſt High, and Jeſus Chriſt, whom Thou haſt ſent.

25. May I be filled with faith on Him; and enabled to keep his ſayings!

26. May I obtain pardon for my ſins, and ſtrength to amend my ways!

Ver. 20. Matt. c. x. ver. 29.
Ver. 23. Prov. c. iv. ver. 7. James c. i. ver. 5.
Ver. 25. John c. viii. ver. 51. c. xiv. ver. 21. 24.

27. May I be filled with Thy Holy Spirit, and daily draw nearer to Thee my God!

28. And appoint for me, here on Earth, what Thou ſeeſt good and expedient for me.

29. Help me, that I may diſcharge my duty in my ſtation, and do Thy will.

30. And having ſerved my generation here on Earth, grant that I may enter into the world of light.

31. That I may join the Hoſt of Heaven, to praiſe Thy Name, O Lord, for ever and ever.

HYMN II.

O LORD, Thou needeſt not our Praiſes: our thankſgivings and adorations are unworthy to be accepted before Thee.

2. In infinite mercy Thou permitteſt us to lift up our ſouls; that by the Love and Fear of Thee we may become happy.

Ver. 1. Job c. xxii. ver. 2.

3. Thou teacheſt us to know, and adore Thee; that we may be fitted to inherit life everlaſting.

4. Shouldſt Thou, Lord, be extreme to mark what is done amiſs, our moſt humble and fervent worſhip ſhould be rejected.

5. But Thou pardoneſt our infirmities; and favourably receiveſt our frail deſires.

6. Thou doſt help Thy ſervants by Thy Spirit, teaching their hearts to look up unto Thee.

7. O that my Soul might draw near to God! that I might continually be filled with a ſenſe of His Goodneſs!

8. That in all His works I might acknowledge Him, and rejoice in the operation of His hands!

9. By Thee, O Lord, I have been fearfully and wonderfully made.

10. Thou haſt taught mine eyes to ſee, mine ears to hear, and my tongue to ſpeak.

Ver. 3. 1 Theſſ. c. ii. ver. 12.

11. Thou

11. Thou haſt given me alſo reaſon and thought, that I might comprehend, and conſider Thy glorious works.

12. Should I neglect to conſider Thy ways; and to apply my mind unto knowledge?

13. Should I be as one that ſaw not, and abuſe theſe means of obtaining wiſdom?

14. Should I make them ſubſervient to wickedneſs and ſin; and be ſtupidly inſenſible of the inſtruction around me?

15. O that I might walk in Thy ways, and keep Thy Commandments!

16. That I might depart from all evil; and be occupied in the meditation of Thy Goodneſs!

17. Then my Soul ſhould dwell at eaſe, and I ſhould rejoice before Thee.

18. Happineſs ſhould be with me; and my Heaven ſhould be begun on Earth.

19. Amidſt Calamities I ſhould be unmoved; and the cares of the world ſhould not diſtreſs me.

20. O Lord, hear my prayer; and let my cry come unto Thee.

 21. Truly

21. Truly I do know, that Thou rejoiceſt in mercy, and preventeſt our ſupplications.

22. Thou needeſt not that any ſhould aſk of Thee; and art ever diſpoſed to do good.

23. But Thou teacheſt us to pray: that we may be fitted to receive Thy mercies, and may not reſiſt Thy gracious appointments:

24. That by holy exerciſes our hearts may be ſanctified: and that our ſouls may draw near unto Thee, O God.

25. O let not my ſoul reſiſt Thy will; let me not be unprepared to receive Thy gracious appointments!

26. O be it unto me according to Thy good pleaſure; for then it ſhall be well with me!

27. O teach me ſo to number my days, that I may apply my heart unto wiſdom.

28. That I may become uſeful alſo in my generation; and an inſtrument of good in Thy hands.

29. That

29. That I may obey the Goſpel of Chriſt my Saviour; and keep His ſayings here on Earth.

30. That I may fulfil Thy Will, in my Lot, here, and, through Him, obtain Life hereafter.

31. That I may join the Hoſt of Heaven; and glorify Thee to all Eternity.

32. That I may for ever contemplate Thy works; and ſee Thee, The Living God.

Ver. 29. John c. xiv. v. 21, 24.

HYMN III.

PRAISE The Lord, O ye Saints of His, ye Servants of His, who do His pleaſure.

2. Who can declare the works of the Lord? or who can ſhew forth all His Praiſe?

3. The Heaven of Heavens cannot contain them: there is no end of the manifeſtations of His Goodneſs and Power.

Ver. 1. Pſalm cxlv. v. 10.
Ver. 2. Pſalm xcvi. v. 4.

4. The Sun giveth Light, and beareth rule in its place; it nouriſheth the Earth, and maketh it fruitful.

5. At the Command of the Moſt High it was created: and it fulfilleth its appointed taſk.

6. Many worlds are nouriſhed by it: and its glory is great.

7. By its influence the Earth is cloathed with Plenty: and the Habitation of Man is rendered exceeding beautiful.

8. The Moon alſo ariſeth and giveth Light: and quickneth the waters, that they turn not to corruption.

9. The works of God, on Earth, are very excellent; and every thing ſerveth its appointed end.

Ver. 8.—The Moon, by being the Cauſe of the Tides, occaſions a continual agitation in the waters of the Sea, which preſerves them from ſtagnation and putrefaction. It alſo occaſions a ſimilar motion and agitation in the air; which, by that means, and alſo by the motion of the waters, is preſerved pure, and untainted. And it is moreover now alſo known, that the Water of the Sea has in itſelf a peculiar property of reſtoring putrid air to a pure and wholeſome ſtate.

10. The

10. The vaſt Ocean is extended over the face thereof; it lifteth up its waters towards Heaven; it floweth to and fro; and, by its motion, purifieth the air.

11. It filleth the Clouds with Rain; and cauſeth the Earth to be covered with Riches.

12. At the Command of God the Hills aroſe, whence Rivers pour down, for the ſervice of man and beaſt.

13. From the tops of the Mountains He poureth down plenty: and they are formed to receive the gatherings together of waters.

14. There is nothing created in vain; nor aught that is evil, in the appointments of the Almighty.

15. Even noxious animals have their

Ver. 12. It is now well known to Philoſophers, that Mountains and Hills are the great ſources of Streams and Rivers: and that, beſides containing thoſe ſprings internally, which ariſe even to their ſummits, they ſerve alſo externally to break the clouds, and to attract them; and collect the waters from thence, more than any other parts of the earth.

Ver. 15. There are various inſtances of the utility of thoſe, called noxious, animals: amongſt the reſt, ſee Adanſon's Hiſtory of Senegal, p. 279; in which Book there are many inſtances of the great power of God manifeſted in the Works of Creation.

Ver. 15. Wiſdom c. xi. v. 15.

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appointed uſe; and are inſtruments in the hands of God for good.

16. At the Command of the Moſt High they go forth; they are the armies of God; and are ſcourges to the children of men.

17. O Lord, therein we behold how terrible are the weakeſt inſtruments of Thy wrath: and how Thou doſt, by the loweſt reptiles, reprove, and humble the pride of man.

18. O that I were wiſe! that I might underſtand! that I might perceive the ways of God!

19. Then ſhould I know, indeed, that all things are well ordered; and ſhould offer a ſpiritual ſacrifice unto the Moſt High.

20. Thou, O Lord, protecteſt and upholdeſt all living creatures; and careſt for the ſons of men.

21. Mercy and Goodneſs are manifeſt in all Thy ways; and Wiſdom in all Thy works.

22. But moreover, they are very dread-

Ver. 16. Joel c. ii. v. 25.
Ver. 20. 1 Pet. c. v. ver. 7.

ful.

ful. When I behold them, I tremble, becauſe of Thy Power.

23. How great is the Alligator, and his aſpect how terrible!

24. He preyeth on man and beaſt, and on the inhabitants of the waters; and ſaith not, I have enough.

25. He careth not for his young, but devoureth them: for ſo God hath appointed, that fury may reſtrain itſelf.

26. He diſdaineth to lie lurking for his food: and like a mighty hunter purſueth his prey.

27. They gather themſelves together in Troops: they ſurround the waters on all parts; they compel their prey to fall into their toils.

Ver. 22. To a contemplative mind, there is not, perhaps, a more tremendous conſideration, than that which ariſes from reflecting on the various modes of exiſtence, and the many different bodies, wherein it pleaſes God to cauſe life to dwell; many of which are (for infinitely wiſe reaſons, no doubt tho' unknown to us) ſubjected to great ſufferings; and eſpecially, from one part of creation preying continually upon another; and from the neceſſity which there is of deſtroying ſo many reptiles and inſects.

Ver. 23. See the Account of the Alligator in Don Antonio de Ulloa's Voyage to South America, Vol. I. p. 200; a moſt inſtructive and entertaining Book.

28. Yet

28. Yet are not the beds of the rivers forſaken; nor the waters without inhabitants; for God giveth increaſe.

29. Neither is man deſtroyed: for God hath ſubdued even this Leviathan unto him.

30. He putteth a hook into his noſtrils, and he pierceth his jaws with iron, and laugheth at his fury and ſtrength.

31. Who hath given the Gallinazo wiſdom; and taught her to watch for her food?

32. She ſitteth as a watchman on a Tower, and patiently expecteth her prey.

33. She watcheth not for herſelf alone, but for man and beaſt; and deſtroyeth the brood of the Leviathan.

34. She preyeth alſo on corruption; and purifieth the Earth from the defilements thereof.

35. Who beholdeth the Serpent without terror, and flieth not from its deadly bite?

Ver. 30. See the account of the manner in which the Indians catch and hunt the Alligator, in Ulloa's Voyage, Vol. I. p. 203.

Ver. 32. For the full explanation of this, ſee Ulloa's Voyage, Vol. I. p. 59.—and alſo p. 202.

36. It traverſeth the woods; and is dreaded by man and beaſt.

37. The Corales and the Caſcabeles are very terrible; they are the arrows of death.

38. But God hath given to the Corale glorious colours, and to the Caſcabele a ſounding noiſe.

39. The Corales is ſeen, and the Caſcabeles is heard; and Man walketh in ſafety.

40. How excellent is Wiſdom! and her paths how pleaſant!

41. She giveth light to the blind in heart; and cauſeth the deaf to hear.

42 Man liveth in darkneſs amidſt the works of God: he conſidereth them not; but conſumeth them in riot and exceſs;

43. He hath no pleaſure in his Soul, nor doth he lift up his heart to the Moſt High;

44. 'Till Wiſdom enlighteneth his mind, and informeth him: then doth he rejoice,

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Ver. 38. Theſe particulars are moſt curiouſly explained in Ulloa's Voyage, Vol. I. p. 62. N. B. The Engliſh Tranſlation in 2 Vols. octavo, is the Edition here referred to; but the French is a ſtill better Tranſlation.

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and is as one that awakeneth from deep ſleep.

45. Remember me, O Lord, I pray Thee, in mercy: and think upon Thy ſervant whom thou haſt created.

46. Behold, by Thee I have been fearfully and wonderfully made: and by Thy Power alone I am continually upheld.

HYMN IV.

ALL Thy works praiſe Thee, O Lord, the Great Creator of Heaven and Earth.

2. Thou haſt not confined Thy Bleſſings to a few Beings, but haſt given means of comfort unto all.

3. In infinite variety Thy Bounty appeareth: Thou indeed ſaweſt all things that they were very good.

Ver. 3. Geneſis, chap. 1. v. 31.

4. Behold

4. Behold the frozen regions of the North, and the Mountains covered with aged ſnows.

5. The Seas where ſhips have no paſſage, and whoſe boſoms are bound with bands of ice:

6. The regions where no green herb appeareth, and which for months behold not the light of the ſun, nor the chearful day.

7. Can theſe be the habitations of man? or can aught that is good be found therein?

8. Even *there*, is manifeſted infinite wiſdom: and abundant means of ſolace are offered to the contented ſoul.

9. The

Ver. 8. Strange as it may appear to us, amidſt the Luxuries we have been accuſtomed to in theſe Climates, and amidſt the advantages of civilization, it is a moſt undoubted fact, that the poor Laplanders, amidſt their ſnows, and enjoying (as we think) ſo few articles of accommodation, are yet convinced, that in the whole univerſe they could not find a place of abode more ſecure and agreeable than their own Country;—that the Kamtſchadales think themſelves the happieſt people in the world, and look upon the Ruſſians who are ſettled amongſt them with contempt;—that the Greenlanders ſet themſelves, in their own eſtimation, far above the Europeans;—that the Arabians dwell with pleaſure amidſt the burning ſands of the Deſert;—and that the bar-

9. The humble Samoeid ariſeth from ſleep, and leaveth his ſubterraneous habitation:

10. He beholdeth the moon, and the ſtars in their brightneſs, and the glorious arch of Heaven:

11. He ſeeth the northern flames, and the rich mantle of the ſky, ſurprizingly varied with beauty inexpreſſible.

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barous inhabitants of the moſt ſcorching Regions of Africa, procure, with the utmoſt eaſe, what they eſteem the comforts and conveniences of life;—and the natives, even of Senegal, think their Territory a Paradiſe.—To all which we may add, that the great partiality every man, of every nation under the Sun, ſhews for his own Country, is a proof of the great Truth affirmed in this Verſe.—See a very curious account of the Laplanders in the Annual Regiſter for 1759, p. 330.—Hiſtory of Kamtſchatka, p. 180.—Crantz's Hiſtory of Greenland, vol. I. p. 134.—Moore's Travels into Africa, pref. x. and p. 179.

Ver. 9. The Samoeids are much the ſame people as the Laplanders, and are inhabitants of ſome of the moſt Northern parts of Europe. See a curious account of them in the Annual Regiſter for 1759, p. 329. The Eſkimaux Indians, alſo, inhabit as cold a Country in North America; yet Mr. Ellis informs us, that they retain the ſtrongeſt, and moſt aſtoniſhing partiality for it, even when brought to the European Factories, and after they have lived there for ſeveral years. See Ellis's Voyage to Hudſon's Bay, p. 133.

Ver. 11. The Northern Lights are ſeen there much ſtronger and brighter than in any other parts of the world; and ſo frequently, as to be viſible almoſt always during the abſence of the Sun, and with an infinite variety of appearance. See Ellis's Voyage, p. 172; and Pontoppidan's Hiſtory of Norway, p. 4; Annual Regiſter for 1759, p. 334.

12. They

12. They afford him light in the abſence of the moon; and, when it ariſeth, increaſe the glory of the ſcene.

13. He murmureth not for that the Sun is hid from him: he ſcarce wiſheth for its light.

14. The bright ſnow doth not now offend his eyes; and he beholdeth the dazzling proſpect without pain.

15. He knoweth that the moon will give light for many days; and doth not fear the approach of thick darkneſs.

16. He covereth himſelf with furs, and is warm; and rejoiceth in the gifts of God.

17. He ſeeketh his Sledge, and harneſſeth his rein deer, and flieth like lightning along the tops of the mountains.

Ver. 15. On account of the peculiar inclination of the Moon's Orbit to the Ecliptic, and alſo by means of the Refraction of the Atmoſphere, which is in the Northern Regions remarkably denſe; the Moon gives an uninterrupted light much more than half the month, and ſometimes almoſt as long as it is capable of affording any conſiderable light to any part of the Earth whatever.

Ver. 17 and 18. The Pace of the Rein Deer is very ſwift and rapid, and their hoofs are remarkably broad and ſpreading, by which means they tread ſecurely on the ſurface of the ſnow, without ſinking into it. See Perry's State of Ruſſia, p. 65.

18. Their feet enter not into the ſnow; they ſcarce leave traces of their path:

19. For they were formed to tread its boſom, and their hoofs ſpread far to aſſiſt their ſteps.

20. They are taught alſo to ſeek their food, where it is not ſeen; and to find plenty, where no green herb appeareth.

21. The Samoeid reſteth himſelf without care; and they ſearch for that which God hath given for their ſupport.

22. Without reaſon they know where their food is hid, and are led to the place whereon it groweth.

23. They quickly remove the deep ſnow; and their labour is not in vain.

24. The refreſhing moſs appeareth; and their hunger is ſatisfied.

25. The Samoeid returneth to his cavern, and to the repaſt provided for him.

Ver. 20. The Rein Deer live upon a kind of Moſs, that is often buried very deep under the ſnow; but they, by a moſt wonderful inſtinct and ſagacity, know where to find it; and digging up the ſnow with their feet, readily come at the places where it abounds, even in parts of the Country to which they were before ſtrangers. Annual Regiſter for 1759, p. 337.

26. His

26. His careful wife rejoiceth at his preſence; and his little children play around him.

27. He cloſeth his hut, and is warm; and deſireth no other dwelling.

28. The Sun returneth, at the appointed Seaſon, and its approach is haſtened by the denſity of the air.

29. It ariſeth, and giveth light; and ceaſeth not to ſhine, from the ſowing of the corn, unto the reaping of the ſame.

30. At its preſence the ſnows diſappear in the vallies; and they are covered with verdure.

31. The Samoeid forſaketh his winter habitation, and liveth at large in the fields.

32. He diggeth up the Earth, and ſoweth his corn; and the ground reſtoreth it quickly many fold.

Ver. 28. The Air in thoſe cold Countries is ſo exceedingly denſe, and its refractive power, in conſequence thereof, ſo ſtrong, that the Sun is ſeen many days before it, in reality, riſes above the Horizon.

Ver. 29. The Corn is uſually reaped, in Lapland, within about nine weeks after it is firſt ſown. Annual Regiſter for 1759, p. 330; Pontoppidan, vol. I. p. 21.

 33. He

33. He is delighted with the variety around him; and layeth up his winter ſtores.

34. The vaſt mountains of ice are diminiſhed, and the lighter waters of the North flow to purify the Southern ſeas.

35. When the Moſt High appointed the Sun its courſe, and bade it to paſs over the middle regions of the world;

36. Trembled not the Earth at His Command? did not the Mountains quake?

37. How ſhall the Ground endure the burning Heat, or yield its appointed fruits?

38. Muſt it not be covered with deſert Sands? and divide the habitation of man?

39. The Lord, who formed all things,

Ver. 34. The Water of the Ocean, near the Equator, is remarkably ſalt and thick; and, if it were not for the freſher water that comes from the Poles, would grow ſo more and more, and occaſion many ill conſequences both to the inhabitants of the earth and water.

Ver. 38. The Torrid Zone was thought by the ancient Philoſophers to be all parched by heat and uninhabited; but we now find that many parts both of Africa, and South America, are the moſt fruitful and delicious ſpots in the world. See Ovington's Voyage to Suratt, p. 61, and Ulloa's Voyage.

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hath made nothing in vain: neither hath he left any part of Creation void.

40. The Torrid Zone burneth not; neither is the ſoil thereof parcht and barren.

41. Clouds aſſuage the ſcorching heat: and Lofty Mountains purify the Air.

42. They raiſe their hoary heads to Heaven; they collect the Clouds; they are covered with ſnow; and refreſhing gales deſcend to the Vallies beneath.

43. The Ground yieldeth abundant increaſe, and an everlaſting Spring covereth the face thereof.

44. Here alſo the Terrors of the Lord appear: and in the midſt of Mercy and Goodneſs He manifeſteth His Greatneſs.

45. A Thick Darkneſs gathereth about the

Ver. 41. In Peru, and in many other places under the Torrid Zone, the air is for the moſt part mild and temperate, by means of the Clouds that hover over thoſe Countries the greateſt part of the day, and by means of the refreſhing gales which come from the neighbouring mountains, that are always covered with ſnow.

Ver. 45. Tornadoes and Tempeſts, dreadful beyond all imagination, are frequent in hot Countries. Of theſe there are many curious accounts in the Abridgement of the Philoſophical Tranſ-

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the tops of the mountains; and dreadful thunderings are heard;

46. The Rain deſcends in vaſt torrents; the heavens blaze with light'ning; and the High rocks reſound with peals of Thunder, and the howlings of wild beaſts.

47. A Roaring Wind cometh from the deſert; it traverſeth along the ground; it teareth up the trees of the foreſt; and maketh deſolate the habitation of man.

48. But at the Command of the Moſt High the heavens are ſtill, and the whole face of nature again ſmileth.

49. Man delighteth in his labour, and receiveth an abundant recompence.

50. Yet ſhall he again behold terrible things, and hide his head for fear.

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actions. Some very curious and particular deſcriptions of them may alſo be ſeen in The Account of the European Settlements in America, vol. II. p. 93; and in Dampier's Voyages, vol. II. p. 86, and part III. p. 71. See alſo Kalm's Travels, vol. II. p. 125.

Ver. 46. In South America, as ſoon as a Tempeſt begins, and the Thunder grows loud, the howlings of the wild beaſts in the woods (who are terrified at it) is almoſt inſupportable. It alſo frequently happens that theſe Tornadoes and Tempeſts are attended with moſt dreadful whirlwinds, which tear up and deſtroy every thing in their way. See Ulloa's Voyage, vol. VI. p. 98.

51. He

51. He ſeeth clouds immoveable, and a dead Calm prevaileth:

52. The ſea retireth far within its wonted bounds; and its waves vaniſh from his ſight:

53. With a dreadful roaring they return, and ſpread deſolation all around.

54. The Earth openeth, with an horrid noiſe; it quaketh, and reeleth to and fro:

55. The vaſt Rocks are rent; and the mountains caſt forth fire and thick ſmoke.

56. Thus doth God appear in Might, and manifeſteth His great Power:

57. Yet ſheweth He but a ſmall part thereof to the ſons of men; and withholdeth his hand, leaſt they periſh.

58. His Terrors are great, but His Goodneſs more abundant:

Ver. 52. Earthquakes are very frequent in hot Countries; and when great ones happen, the Sea ſometimes retires to a conſiderable diſtance from the ſhore, and then, returning with redoubled force, overflows all the adjacent country; as was the caſe when Port Royal, and alſo when Lima were deſtroyed. See Ulloa's Voyage, vol. II. p. 84; and The Relation of the Earthquake of 1746, publiſhed at Lima, p. 327.

59. Where

59. Where He permitteth terrible things; there alſo He poureth forth more abundant bleſſings.

60. No Lands afford ſuch plenty; nor produce ſuch delicious fruits:

61. No Regions have ſuch gay inhabitants, as ſport there amidſt the woods and painted valleys.

62. Flowers innumerable fill the air with fragrant ſweets; and the beauteous pine groweth wild in the woods:

63. From a tuft of the brighteſt green, it reareth its head of crimſon dye:

64. The beauteous flower perfumeth the air; and often flouriſhes unſeen.

65. It fadeth away, and the fruit ripeneth, and refreſheth the weary traveller.

Ver. 61. The Beauty of the Birds, and their fine colours, in all hot countries, are moſt remarkable. Cateſby's Hiſtory of Carolina, and the beautiful Exhibition at Mr. Lever's moſt curious Muſeum, will ſufficiently inform any one of this fact. See alſo, Bancroft's Hiſtory of Guiana, p. 183, and Ulloa's Voyage, vol. I. p. 57, 58.

Ver. 62. The Pine Apple, whoſe Bloſſom is one of the fineſt Flowers, and which is alſo one of the moſt delicious fruits, does in ſome hot Countries grow quite wild in the woods, and in great plenty, and eſpecially near Carthagena, in South America (Ulloa's Voyage, vol. I. p. 74). It alſo grows wild in Africa (Ovington's Voyage, p. 61).

66. He

66. He plucketh the gilded cone from its verdant bed, and rejoiceth in the gifts of nature.

67. Thus hath God made even the habitation of men very good; and even on us ſinners hath poured abundant mercies.

68. How glorious then ſhall He form the everlaſting manſions, prepared for them that love Him, and hope on His Mercy!

69. How glorious and good ſhall He form the World to come, where He will manifeſt Himſelf to thoſe who truſt on His Goodneſs!

70. Behold we perceive as yet, but a ſmall portion of His Works; we ſee the operations of His hands as through a glaſs darkly; yet how excellent do they appear!

71. Praiſe then the Lord, ye Servants of His, O Praiſe the name of the Lord.

72. Praiſe God in His Holineſs; Praiſe Him in the firmament of His Power.

73. Praiſe Him in His Noble Acts; Praiſe Him according to His excellent Greatneſs.

Ver. 70. 1 Corinthians, c. xiii. ver. 12.

HYMN V.

HOW admirable are the works of God! how excellent the operations of His hands!

2. I conſidered plants, and animals; four-footed beaſts, and creeping things.

3. In all was manifeſted infinite wiſdom, and an excellent workmanſhip, that I could not comprehend.

4. Yet ſo much was made known unto me, as declared the power and goodneſs of God; and the continued agency of the Great Creator, and Lord of all things.

5. I beheld the Caterpillar iſſuing from its egg, on the very plant needful for its ſupport:

6. For there the parent fly had placed it, that it might have whereon to feed.

7. It enjoys the repaſt, it weaveth its

Ver. 7. See a moſt elegant account of the manner of life, and of the transformation of inſects, in the firſt volume of Nature Diſplayed.

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web, and, preparing for its end, buildeth itſelf a rich tomb.

8. It reſteth from its labours; and ſleepeth the ſleep of death.

9. At the appointed time it is raiſed again, and the Great Creator of all things giveth it a new life.

10. It leaveth its aſhes in the tomb, and aſcends, with a more beauteous form, into the regions of the air.

11. How glorious are its wings! and its limbs how delicate!

12. It is covered with a rich plumage; and furniſhed with myriads of eyes, to behold all around.

13. With

Ver. 9. This ſimilitude is finely introduced, and made uſe of as an argument, with many others, by Biſhop Pearſon, in his excellent Book on the Creed; and ſtill deſerves to be uſed as ſuch, although that curious obſerver of nature M. Swammerdam has proved, that the worm does not abſolutely periſh in the Aurelia; for even he has alſo ſhewn that there is, for a time, a diſſolution of its whole frame.

Ver. 12. The diſcoveries of the Microſcope have informed us, that the Eyes of flies conſiſt each of a moſt prodigious number of ſmall Corneas, ſet in an hemiſphere, every one of which appears to have diſtinct viſion; and by this means, although flies cannot turn their heads, or move their eyes, yet they ſee almoſt all

13. With its trunk it ſurpaſſeth the art of the Chymiſt; and extracteth from flowers the moſt delicious ſweets.

14. It forſakes the leaf whereon it was firſt nouriſhed, rejoicing in the bounty of its Maker.

15. But, at His command, it is mindful of its offspring, and provides for the ſafety and ſuſtenance thereof.

16. With anxious care it ſeeketh out the plant, which God hath given for its infant worms.

17. Though itſelf feedeth not thereon, neither careth for the verdant leaves, yet is it led with unerring ſearch, and never faileth in its choice.

18. It curiouſly ſpreadeth forth its eggs; and, without thought, fulfilleth its appointed taſk.

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around them at once. One of their eyes, through a Microſcope, appears, from this vaſt number of Corneas, like a rich net work; and its beauty is hardly to be conceived, by thoſe who have not ſeen it.

Ver. 13. All Flies, as well as the Bee, are furniſhed with a trunk, or ſucker, with which thoſe, who feed on flowers, extract their rich juice for ſuſtenance, though they do not lay up honey.

19. The

19. The Lord, Who hath withheld reaſon from theſe, hath given them inſtinct, a ſurer guide.

20. What ſpirit ruleth in them, O Lord, Thou only knoweſt; let us behold their operations, and humbly adore.

21. The Bee juſt raiſed to life, without a teacher ſkilfully forms her cell.

22. The Sage's art is known to her: ſhe has diſcovered the moſt capacious form, and the beſt diviſion of ſpace.

23. Without ſcale or compaſs, ſhe nicely meaſureth her work, and with great care ſtrengtheneth its foundations.

24. She layeth her foundations, in the upper part; ſhe buildeth downwards, even unto the ground; and exquiſitely finiſheth her work; ſurpaſſing the art of man.

25. The Bird, fluttering from its parental neſt, needs no inſtruction to fulfill her taſk.

Ver. 22. All the Cells in an honeycomb are Hexagons, which Mathematicians have found to be the only regular figures, except Squares, and Triangles, which will exactly fill up ſpace; and which, at the ſame time, are much more capacious than either of the latter.

26. Who

26. Who taught her to rear an habitation for her young?

27. To build with unerring ſkill; and exactly to form the ſtructure peculiar to her kind?

28. Who informed her that ſhe ſhould lay her eggs; and that ſhe ſhould want a neſt to preſerve them from deſtruction?

29. Who told her its proportion and extent? and the number of her young that ſhould have life?

30. Who enabled her to know times and ſeaſons? and to provide that her work might be finiſhed ere ſhe ſhould bring forth?

31. Who counſelled her to forbear her wonted flights; and patiently to ſit brooding on her young?

32. O, that I had underſtanding, to know the ways of God!

33. That I might learn to praiſe my Maker; and become wiſe by the inſtruction around me!

34. Wilt not Thou, O Lord, who raiſeſt the Caterpillar from its tomb, raiſe man alſo from the duſt of death?

35. Wilt

35. Wilt not Thou, who teacheſt the fowls of the air to fulfill their appointed taſk, guide the ſons of men, by Thy Spirit, to do Thy will?

36. Wilt not Thou, Who ſo plentifully poureſt forth Bleſſings, upon all Thy creatures, appoint good things for thoſe that fear Thy Name?

37. I know, O Lord, that Thou art good; and therefore doth my heart give thanks unto Thee.

38. O praiſe the God of Heaven, Whoſe Mercy is extended over all.

39. Let every thing that hath breath praiſe Him; and let man, the prieſt of the Creation, offer up a ſacrifice of Thankſgiving unto the Moſt Higheſt.

40. Even a ſacrifice accepted through the Mediation of the Redeemer; by Whom, though we be compaſſed with infirmities, we have acceſs unto The Living God.

Ver. 35. Luke, c. xi. ver. 13.

Ver. 36. Matthew, c. vi. ver. 26. c. vii. ver. 11.

Ver. 39. Pſalm cl. ver. 6. 1 Peter, c. ii. ver. 5. 9. Revelations, c. i. ver. 6.

Ver. 40. Epheſians, c. ii. ver. 18. c. iii. ver. 12.—Hebrews, c. viii. ver. 1.—c. v. ver. 2.

HYMN VI.

O That I might draw near to God! that I might learn His ways, and do His Righteous Will!

2. He is our Creator, and Preſerver, our Lord and Governour; for His Service were we formed, and made to fill our appointed place.

3. May we diſcharge the duties thereof; and be inſtruments of good in His hands!

4. The Lord called this world out of nothing. He ſpake the word, and all therein was made.

5. At His command Light came forth; and, by the breath of His mouth, He gave life to all living creatures.

6. He hath manifeſted His Divine Attributes in the works of creation; and given man underſtanding, to conſider them, and to learn His ways.

Ver. 4. Pſalm xxxiii. ver. 6.
Ver. 5. Geneſis, c. i. ver. 3.

7. Wherefore

7. Wherefore is this Profuſion of Gifts? and why is this Glorious Scene diſplayed around?

8. Was it that man ſhould live in riot and exceſs? that he ſhould conſume them without thought? and be inebriated, and ſtupified, by that which ſhould fill his heart with wiſdom?

9. Is God glorified by unmeaning praiſe? or by ſenſeleſs and idle words?

10. Can a man ſay, the works of God are good, and excellent, and give Praiſe unto the Moſt Higheſt, if he neither knoweth nor conſidereth them?

11. Wherefore have we eyes to ſee? and hearts that we may know and underſtand?

12. O Lord, make me to contemplate Thy glorious Works: and that which I know not, teach Thou me.

13. I beheld the Swallow departing from her abode, and travelling in ſearch of other lands.

14. As

Ver. 13. It has been a matter much diſputed, by Natural Hiſtorians, whether Swallows paſs over the Sea into other Coun-

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14. As at the ſound of a trump they aſſemble; and form their feathered bands.

15. They know ſeaſons; they obſerve times; and wait the appointed hour.

16. Not one ariſeth, nor leaveth its place, till the inſtant ordained for their departure.

17. At once they mount into the air, and paſs unto the place appointed for them.

18. Without chart, or compaſs, they form their courſe: and dread neither winds nor ſtorms, nor the diſmal obſcurity of the night.

19. Is it not God that guides them? doth not their Creator lead them?

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tries; or whether they hide themſelves in holes, and even under the water, during the winter months, and remain all that time, like flies, in a torpid ſtate. And ſo many facts have been alledged in ſupport of both opinions (which may be ſeen at large in the Philoſophical Tranſactions), that, probably, both opinions are partly founded in truth: but be that as it may, I can myſelf aſcertain the truth of what is here mentioned, and alluded to; for I have ſeen theſe birds aſſembling for many days together, on the top of a certain large houſe, and increaſing in number every day, till at laſt the whole roof was covered quite thick with them; and then they took their final departure, flying all together, quite out of ſight, and appeared no more that Seaſon.

20. Excel-

20. Excellent are Thy Ways, O God; and wonderful are the effects of Thy Providence!

21. Seeing things *uncommon*, we adore; and lift up our ſouls with admiration.

22. But teach us *in all things* to conſider Thee; that we paſs not by unnoticed Thy bounteous gifts.

23. That which is moſt excellent, is moſt common; ſhould we *therefore* neglect to give Praiſe unto Thee?

24. O let the thoughts of my heart find favour in Thy ſight; whilſt I ſeek to acknowledge Thy Gifts, O Lord moſt High.

25. The ſtrong Ox is given unto man, to prepare his food, and aſſiſt him in his labours.

26. He patiently endureth the yoak, and obeyeth the voice of his driver: he laboureth with inceſſant pains; and meekly receiveth his reward, the portion allotted for his ſupport.

27. The Cow fleeth not from the abode of man, but plentifully ſupplieth him with food, and returneth with her burthen, at the appointed hour.

 28. Why

28. Why ſeek they not the woods, and to range at large, with the beaſts of the foreſt?

29. Why do they not forſake man; and leave his habitation deſolate?

30. Lo the ſwift Horſe, alſo, is obedient, and unmindful of his power and might.

31. The fearful Sheep hearken to the voice of their ſhepherd, and follow him who leadeth them forth to paſture.

32. With amazing fruitfulneſs they increaſe, and repleniſh the folds; (whereas beaſts of prey are few, and their offspring few in number).

33. They yield their wool to the ſhearer; and their lives for the ſervice of man; and fulfill the ends that God hath appointed for them.

34. Faithful is the Shepherd's guard: a pattern of fidelity to man.

35. He preferreth his duty to life itſelf; and ſuffereth not the approach of the thief and robber.

36. Watchful, and ſincere; ſportful, and affectionate; chearing the heart of his maſter.

37. From

37. From his hand he receiveth, with eager joy, the bounty deſtined for his ſupport.

38. The food of man is not withheld from him: he is an emblem of the wide extent of Mercy;

39. Whilſt ſinners are healed, and live, by the Word of God; and dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their maſter's table.

40. Who commanded all theſe to obey man, and to ſubmit themſelves to do his pleaſure?

41. The Lion and the Tiger refuſe to be tamed: the Ox and the Dog want not ſtrength, or power, to reſiſt man's will.

42. But God hath created theſe for man; and hath made them ſubſervient unto him.

43. O let the Servants of God be thankful: Let them adore His name.

44. Let them give Praiſe, and Glory, and Honour, to the Lord Almighty, Who liveth for ever.

Ver. 39. Matt. c. iv. ver. 4. c. xv. ver. 26.
Ver. 43. Pſalm cxlv. ver. 10.

HYMN VII.

WHO can expreſs the noble acts of the Lord? or who can ſhew forth all His Praiſe?

2. He is great, and excellent in wiſdom: He is Good, and His power has no bounds.

3. Thouſands of thouſands miniſter unto Him; and ten thouſand times ten thouſand ſtand before Him,

4. And lift up their voices, giving thanks and Praiſe, to the Lord God Omnipotent, Who liveth for ever.

5. Shall man alone forget his Maker? and ſhall *he*, for whom God hath done ſo great things, be unmindful of Him?

6. The Lord looked down from heaven, and beheld the ſons of men.

Ver. 1. Pſalm cvi. ver. 2.
Ver. 3. Daniel, c. vii. ver. 10. Revelations, c. v. ver. 11.
Ver. 6. Pſalm xiv. ver. 3.

7. He

7. He ſaw, and behold they had perverted their ways, and broken His moſt Righteous and Holy Commandments.

8. They were perverſe, and fooliſh, and eſchewed good; and none lived without offence:

9. They were unprofitable amongſt the works of God; and become like a blot in the creation.

10. Alas! we have all ſinned, and deſerved death; there is no man holy, and worthy to appear before God.

11. Deſtruction and miſery were our portion; and that we ſhould ceaſe to be reckoned amongſt the ſervants of the Moſt High.

12. But God would not that what *He* had made ſhould periſh: He willed to perform a greater work than Creation.

13. With compaſſion, and tender mercy, He beheld our folly; and ſaid, Let man be Redeemed.

Ver. 7. Pſalm liii. ver. 3 and 4.
Ver. 11. Romans, c. iii. ver. 16.
Ver. 13. Romans, c. viii. ver. 32.—1 John, c. iv. ver. 10.

14. From

14. From the Manſions of Eternal bliſs, and His High Throne in Heaven;

15. From the Glory of the Father, which He inherited ere the World was;

16. The Lord of Life, The Son of God, deſcended.

17. When the Moſt High created the heavens and the earth, and laid the foundations on the waters;

18. When God ſaid, Let there be light; and, by his Word, cauſed all things to exiſt;

19. The Holy One, Who hath Redeemed us, ſaw; and beheld the outgoings of the Ancient of days:

20. And He ſtood not ſilent to behold: but at the Will of the Father ſtept forth to creation; and by *Him* were all things made.

21. Yet even *He*, *The Lord of Life*, de-

Ver. 14. John, c. iii. ver. 13.—Epheſians, c. iv. ver. 9 and 10.
Ver. 15. John, c. i. ver. 2. c. xvii. ver. 5.
Ver. 18. Geneſis, c. i. ver. 3.
Ver. 19. Daniel, c. vii. ver. 13.
Ver. 20. John, c. i. ver. 3 and 10.—Hebrews, c. i. ver. 2.—Coloſſians, c. i. ver. 16 and 17.—Epheſians, c. iii. ver. 9.
Ver. 21. Hebrews, c. ii. ver. 16.—Acts, c. iii. ver. 15.

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ſcended; and took on him the nature of helpleſs man:

22. That he might redeem ſinners; and reſtore a fallen world unto His God.

23. That, out of evil, He might produce the greater good;

24. And cauſe redoubled joy in heaven, for the exaltation of that which was loſt.

25. O praiſe Him, all ye ſervants of God: praiſe Him, all ye Heavenly Hoſts.

26. O love Him, all ye ſons of men; and, with unfeigned hearts, obey His will.

27. Who can declare the ways of God? or who can comprehend His ſecret councils?

28. Wherefore was this appointment? and why was the Holy One diveſted of His glory?

29. He was deſpiſed, and rejected of *men*: a man of ſorrows, and acquainted with grief.

Ver. 22. 2 Corinthians, c. v. ver. 18 and 19.—Coloſſians, c. i. ver. 20.

Ver. 23. Romans, c. v. ver. 15, 16, and 17.

Ver. 24. Luke, c. xv. ver. 7.

Ver. 27. Romans, c. xi. ver. 34.

Ver. 29. Iſaiah, c. liii. ver. 3.

30. He

30. He was wounded, for our tranſgreſſions; He was bruiſed, for our iniquities: The chaſtiſement of our peace was upon Him; and, with His ſtripes, we are healed.

31. He was oppreſſed, and He was afflicted; yet He opened not His mouth: He was brought as a lamb to the ſlaughter; and as a ſheep before the ſheerers is dumb, ſo He opened not his mouth.

32. He was taken away by violence, and unjuſt judgement: yet who can declare the wondrous things that He had done?

33. And He made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich, in His death: though He had done no violence, neither was any deceit in His mouth.

34. But God hath raiſed Him again unto Glory; and made Him the firſt fruits of them that ſlept.

Ver. 30. Iſaiah, c. liii. ver. 5.

Ver. 31. Iſaiah, c. liii. ver. 7.

Ver. 32. Iſaiah, c. liii. ver. 8. See alſo Dr. Sharp's Emendation of the Tranſlation of theſe verſes, in his argument in Defence of Chriſtianity, p. 227, &c. John, c. xxi. ver. 25.

Ver. 33. Iſaiah, cliii. ver. 9.

Ver. 34. 1 Timothy, c. iii. ver. 16.—1 Corinthians, c. xv. ver. 20.

35. That

35. That, as by man came death, by man alſo might come the Reſurrection of the dead.

36. And now our ſouls ſhall live in hope; and we ſhall ſee God.

37. He that, believing, repenteth him of evil, and ſetteth himſelf to do good, ſhall find mercy; and be as though he had not ſinned.

38. He ſhall go on his way on earth rejoicing; and it ſhall be well with him at his latter end.

39. O give thanks unto the Lord of Heaven; and tell what wondrous things He hath done.

40. Let all nations adore Him, and let the ſound of His praiſe go forth, unto the ends of the earth.

41. Love him, and obey his will. O Lord, let the prayers of Thy ſervants come before Thee.

Ver. 35. 1 Corinthians, c. xv. ver. 21.

Ver. 36. Romans, c. x. ver. 9.

Ver. 37. Luke, c. 24. ver. 47.—Acts, c. iii. ver. 19.

Ver. 38. Romans, c. xii. ver. 12.—John, c. xvi. ver. 22.—1 Peter, c. i. ver. 8.

42. Let our ſacrifice of Thankſgiving find favour in Thy ſight; and teach our hearts to look up unto Thee.

HYMN VIII.

HOW glad is the heart of man, when he beholdeth the Wonders of Creation!

2. When he ſeeth the Sun arrayed in glory, and the grandeur of its departing beams!

3. When he vieweth the gilded clouds; and the tints of the evening, brighter than vermillion!

4. When he ſurveyeth the ſtarry concave of heaven, glittering with the brightneſs of innumerable Worlds!

5. He ſeeth the pale Moon alſo ariſing, and diffuſing its ſolemn light over the face of the earth.

6. He is filled with reverence; and lifteth up his ſoul unto his Maker.

7. How

7. How great is the Creator of all theſe things! yea how powerful and good!

8. O Lord God; all that is in heaven, and in earth, is Thine; and Thou upholdeſt all.

9. Adored be Thy Name, for ever and ever; and be Thou, O Moſt Mighty, glorified in all Thy Works.

PART

PART II.

HYMN I.

UNTO Thee, O Lord, will I lift up my ſoul; and give thanks with my whole heart.

2. For Thou haſt heard me when I cried unto Thee; and didſt not reject my humble petitions.

3. The ſnares of death compaſſed me about: and I was near unto the grave.

4. I ſaid, "My days are numbered: "and hell hath opened its mouth upon "me.

5. "Diſtreſs and miſery are come upon "me: and an everlaſting deſtruction will "overwhelm me.

6. "I have not prayed unto the Lord; "nor lifted up my ſoul unto the Moſt High "God.

7. "I

7. "I have diſobeyed His Will, and mul-
" tiplied tranſgreſſions, and ſhall periſh with
" them that go down into the pit.

8. "Yet is there not mercy with God?
" is there no room for repentance?

9. "O ſpare me a little, that I may re-
" cover my ſtrength, before I go hence, and
" be no more ſeen."

10. And the Lord heard me, and delivered me, that I periſhed not: He raiſed me up, and heaped bleſſings upon me.

11. For Thou, Lord, willeſt not that any ſhould periſh: but that all ſhould come to repentance.

12. Yet my heart was hardened, and I forſook not my ſins: but forgat God, and turned again unto folly.

13. Then did the Lord correct me in mercy, and *of His goodneſs* laid affliction upon me.

14. When I was chaſtened, I turned unto God; and remembered His paſt mercies.

Ver. 9. Pſalm xxxix. ver. 15.
Ver. 11. 2 Peter c. iii. ver. 9.

15. But my heart was not whole with Him; and I provoked the Moſt High to anger.

16. O Lord, what am I in Thy ſight; that I am not cut off from the land of the living?

17. For I have been unprofitable amongſt Thy works; and have not obeyed Thy Will.

18. How great is Thy forbearance, and tender mercy! Who can comprehend Thy Compaſſion, and Loving Kindneſs?

19. O turn me unto repentance, and heal my ſoul: and pardon the hardneſs and perverſeneſs of my heart.

20. How often, inſtead of miſery and affliction, have I received comfort! inſtead of puniſhment and deſtruction, a bleſſing!

21. I ſaid, "I will truſt on God, and "not on man: for is not the Lord able to "heal?

22. "I will make my prayer unto the "Moſt Higheſt: and, if it be His will, "my ſoul ſhall live."

23. And

23. And the Lord heard me, and delivered me from mine infirmities; He ſtrengthened me; and ſet my heart at eaſe.

24. And what my utmoſt wiſhes could not have preſumed to hope for, He gave me; and ſtill continues His mercy to me.

25. Praiſe then the Lord, O my Soul, and rejoice before Him.

26. Give thanks unto the Moſt High; and devote thyſelf to do His will.

27. O my God, teach me Thy Statutes: and make me to keep Thy Commandments.

28. Give me wiſdom to chooſe the thing that is good: and ſtedfaſtneſs, to walk uprightly before Thee.

29. O make me faithful even unto the end; that I may obtain a Crown of Life.

30. That I may be an eternal monument of Thy Compaſſion and Mercy: and may ſhew forth Thy power.

31. Quicken me, O Lord, by Thy Spirit: and make me to be numbered with Thy redeemed.

Ver. 29. 2 Timothy, c. iv. ver. 8.

32. Through Chriſt alone I hope for mercy: O let not my humble faith be vain.

33. But, for His ſake, O Lord, hear me: and favourably receive my imperfect adoration.

HYMN II.

THOU, O Lord, art praiſed in Heaven; and even from Earth ſhall the Spirits of Men look up unto Thee.

2. O Thou that heareſt the prayer; unto Thee ſhall all fleſh come.

3. My miſdeeds prevail againſt me; but O be Thou merciful unto my ſin.

4. O give me not over to an abandoned mind; but pardon my tranſgreſſions; and heal my ſoul.

5. I ſhould utterly have periſhed, but that my hope was on Thee, O God.

Ver. 2. Pſalm lxv. ver. 2.
Ver. 3. Pſalm lxv. ver. 3.

6. I lifted up my voice in my diſtreſs; even when my ſoul knew not *how* to approach before Thee.

7. And even *then* Thou heardeſt me, and didſt deliver me from death, and the grave.

8. Thou didſt raiſe me up, and ſpare my life; and madeſt mine affliction a means of good unto me.

9. With tender kindneſs Thou didſt correct me, and lead mine heart unto repentance.

10. Thou didſt enlighten mine underſtanding; and madeſt me to know Thee, The Living God.

11. Forſake me not now, in the days of my proſperity: O ſuffer me not to forget Thy Goodneſs and Mercy.

12. Caſt me not away from Thy Preſence: O let not indolence, or hardneſs of heart prevail in me.

13. But enable me, with devout and holy affections, to draw near to Thee, my God: and to devote the days Thou addeſt to my Life, to the fulfilling Thy righteous Will.

 14. And

14. And may I worſhip Thee, O Lord, my Maker, for ever, with a moſt unfeigned heart;

15. Not with my lips only; but in every action of my Life, and with every purpoſe of my Soul.

HYMN III.

BLESSED be the Lord my ſtrength; Who giveth underſtanding unto the heart, and teacheth the ſoul to ſearch out truth.

2. My Creator, and Preſerver; my Guide, and Protector; my God, in Whom I truſt: Who upholdeth my life from deſtruction; and crowneth His Servants with mercy and loving kindneſs.

3. The Lord giveth knowledge unto the ſimple: and underſtanding to them that are of an humble mind.

Ver. 3. Pſalm xix. ver. 7. Pſalm cxix. ver. 130. James c. iv. ver. 6.

4. He

4. He is the fountain of all Wiſdom: and withholdeth it not from them that pray unto Him.

5. I was fooliſh, and abandon'd to evil: I knew not, neither conſider'd the works of God.

6. Mine eyes were blinded, that I ſaw not: I enquired not after the Ways of the Moſt High.

7. But it pleaſed Him in mercy to convert my ſoul. O Lord, ſhew forth Thy Power, by turning *my heart* utterly from evil and folly.

8. Thou haſt taught me to form a prayer unto Thee; and to lift up my ſoul with humble hope.

9. " O Lord, Thou art able to do all " things: Thou art the author of all Wiſdom.

10. " O give me an underſtanding heart: " and deliver me from ignorance and folly.

11. " Make me to know Thee, O God " Moſt High: and Thine Holy One, Whom " Thou haſt appointed our Redeemer and " Judge.

Ver. 4. James c. i. ver. 5.

12. " Make me to ſee, and conſider " Thee, in all Thy works: and to rejoice " in the operations of Thine hands.

13. " Give me ſuch knowledge, as may " beſt enable *me* to do good: and an heart " to improve it to that end."

14. O let not my prayer be in vain: Thou, Lord, heareſt thoſe that call upon Thee.

15. What reward ſhall I give unto my God, for all the good He hath done unto my Soul?

16. Can man, who is born of the earth, do good unto his Maker? or profit Him who giveth ſalvation?

17. I will receive the cup of thankſgiving; and call upon the Name of the Lord.

18. O how pleaſant are the ways of Wiſdom, and the paths of knowledge!

19. How good is it, to ſee and conſider the works of God: and His dealings with the children of men!

Ver. 16. Job c. xxii. ver. 2. Job c. xxxv. ver. 7.
Ver. 17. Pſalm cxvi. ver. 12.

20. To diſcover, *tho' imperfectly*, the reaſon of things; and the excellence of the appointments of the Moſt High!

21. To gather Wiſdom, from experience of the ways of God; and to have the view of all ages and nations opened to our eyes!

22. Theſe pleaſures ſurfeit not: the mind is never ſatiated therewith.

23. By them the Soul is nouriſhed; and prepared for Life Eternal.

24. Yet how imperfect is the knowledge attained on Earth! ſcarce doth it riſe above ignorance and folly.

25. The perfection of man's wiſdom, is to know his own weakneſs: and to perceive his want of Inſtruction.

26. With humble hope to labour for the improvement of his Soul: and to look up unto the Moſt High, that he may be delivered from error.

27. Lead me, O Lord, in Thy Paths: and inſtruct me by Thy Holy Spirit.

28. And

28. And may the imperfect knowledge I attain on Earth, prepare me to be a partaker of true Wisdom:

29. To enter into the world of light: and to see Thee, The Living God.

HYMN IV.

THE prayers of the wicked are an abomination unto the Lord; when they call upon Him, He will not hear them:

2. Wherefore honourest thou God with thy lips, whilst thou layest not up His Commandments in thine heart?

3. Behold the works of God were manifested unto thee, that seeing His goodness, and wisdom, and power, thou mightest become wise, and make it thy *choice* to obey His will:

Ver. 1. Proverbs c. xv. ver. 8.—c. xxi. ver. 27.
Ver. 2. Isaiah c. xxix. ver. 13, 14. Matthew c. xv. ver. 8, 9.

4. But

4. But if thou ſeeſt His goodneſs, and continueſt in ſin; thine heart is harden'd, and thy tranſgreſſion without excuſe.

5. Withhold therefore thy words, and provoke not The Moſt High: firſt forſake iniquity, and then adore.

6. Alas, O Lord, I thy ſervant am very ſinful: I have done evil; and am unworthy to look up unto Thee.

7. My provocations are manifold, and my ſins grievous; and I might juſtly be driven, for ever, from thy preſence.

8. If I ſhould be cut off, and periſh, and be caſt into hell; thy ſentence would be juſt, and Thy mercy unimpeached:

9. For Thy forbearance hath exceeded all bounds: and the means afforded me of repentance have been innumerable:

10. Yet, O Lord, whilſt I live, I will not deſpair: Thou knoweſt mine infirmity, and weakneſs, and haſt ſeen all the ſecret purpoſes of mine heart.

11. O my God, forſake me not; give me not over unto a reprobate mind.

12. Grant me a truly penitent and contrite heart: and, if it ſhall pleaſe Thee to ſpare my life, Oh heal my ſoul.

13. Who can tell the mercies of God; or circumſcribe His power?

14. The perverſeneſs of my heart is great; and through levity, and inattention, I continually offend:

15. Yet my Creator may ſtill look upon me, and He is able, by His Spirit, to maintain watchfulneſs, and a ſenſe of duty within me.

16. He can reſtrain temptation, and preſerve me from falling.

17. O my God, let not my truſt on Thee, be hypocriſy, and vain preſumption: but, in ſincerity, let my thoughts aſcend unto Thee; and O hear my prayer, and help me.

18. May I find mercy through the Mediation of Chriſt our Redeemer: and learn *ſo* to believe on Him, as to keep His ſayings.

19. O may I be ſpared unto repentance: and inſtead of becoming abandoned to ſin, be made uſeful, and even exemplary in my generation.

20. Make me to forſake iniquity: and teach me, O Lord of all, to adore Thy Holy Name.

21. May the praiſes of God be in my mouth: and may I even lead others to lift up their ſouls unto The Moſt High.

22. May I attain unto an habit of true devotion, on earth; and finally be permitted to worſhip with the Hoſt of Heaven.

23. O Lord, my Maker, pardon my preſumptuous hopes: and let not that which ſhould be for my welfare, be unto me an occaſion of falling.

HYMN V.

IT is good for me that I have been afflicted, and chaſtened by the hand of the Lord.

2. It is good for me that I have known ſickneſs; and been made to conſider my latter end.

3. Oh

3. Oh how gracious and merciful art Thou, O Lord; Thou makeſt all things to work for good.

4. Alas! I have ſinned, and tranſgreſſed againſt Thee: I have gone aſtray, like a ſheep that is loſt.

5. The inconſtancy of my heart hath prevailed againſt me; and I have turned again, as a fool to my folly.

6. I have deſerved to periſh, and to be caſt into hell: I have added ſin to ſin.

7. Vanity and pride have prevailed in my heart, and a deſire to follow after vain things.

8. Lord, what am I, that my life is ſpared; and that I am not cut off from the land of the living?

9. I have walked in the midſt of the arrows of death: I have beheld the good falling into the grave.

10. Even my boſom friends, and thoſe who were dear unto me.

11. I have beheld the companions of my youth falling: and they have quickly been carried to the grave.

12. Yet

12. Yet my life hath been ſpared: and I ſtill live to praiſe God.

13. Have I improved this mercy aright? have I given glory to my Maker?

14. Have I done good on earth, and fulfilled His righteous will?

15. O Lord, I confeſs mine iniquity, and humble myſelf before Thee.

16. I have been unprofitable amongſt Thy works: I have diſobeyed Thy will.

17. But Thou haſt in mercy chaſtened me; therefore I will give thanks unto Thee.

18. O accept my imperfect repentance; and let my purpoſes of amendment find favour before Thee.

19. For the good of Thy creatures are all thy moſt righteous commandments.

20. I have ſinned againſt my own ſoul, when I have done evil in Thy ſight.

21. But O let it pleaſe the Lord to forgive my ſin, and in mercy to hear me.

22. Let the things which I have purpoſed to do well, be performed, O my God, by Thy help.

23. O ſpare my life; and make me to do good; and guide me by Thy Holy Spirit, that I may perform Thy will.

24. Let my ſins be blotted out, for the ſake of Chriſt our Saviour; and make me henceforth to become exemplary amongſt Thy ſervants.

25. My ſoul ſhall truly praiſe Thee, O Lord; my heart ſhall give thanks unto Thee.

26. For Thou art good, and haſt pity on Thy creatures; and makeſt all things to work for good.

27. I have been in ſickneſs; but it was the hand of the Lord; and I will praiſe Him for His goodneſs and mercy unto me.

HYMN VI.

I SAID I would walk uprightly in the Sight of God, and keep His moſt Righteous Commandments.

2. I ſaid, I would ſet my heart to do good, and eſchew all manner of evil.

3. And it was for a time my delight to walk uprightly: and I rejoiced in the Hope of the Favour of God.

4. But the deceitfulneſs of my heart hath caſt me down; and mine inconſtancy hath overthrown me.

5. When I thought, ſurely it is well with me; and I ſhall not greatly fall;

6. My folly is utterly paſſed away; and the remembrance thereof ſhall be wiped out for ever:

7. Even then the perverſeneſs of my heart did ſuddenly lead me aſide; and I ſtill remained enſlaved by ſin.

8. O Righteous Lord, I have tranſgreſſed againſt Thee: and ſinned againſt my own ſoul.

9. I have provoked Thee to anger: Indignation and wrath may juſtly be my portion.

10. But O let it not increaſe my guilt, that I ſtill lift up my ſoul unto Thee! Let it not be preſumptuous folly, that ſtill I would pray for mercy!

11. O Lord, Thou Searcher of hearts, Remember, of Thy tender compaſſion, the prayers that I have made unto Thee.

12. Alas! through perverſe tranſgreſſions, I may ſeem as an hypocrite. But Oh forſake me not; Cauſe the good deſires of my ſoul to prevail, at length, over evil.

13. Let me not be as one crucifying the Lord of Life afreſh; but may I, through Him, obtain pardon, and mercy.

14. And make my repentance to be ſincere; O make me even an inſtrument of good in Thy hands.

15. Thou, Lord, canſt do all things: Help me to devote the being Thou haſt given me to Thy ſervice.

16. And let not my prayer and hope increaſe my guilt: but make me to return

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Ver. 13. Hebrews c. vi. ver. 6.

unto

unto the right way; and, for the ſake of my Lord and Redeemer, have mercy on me.

HYMN VII.

BEHOLD, O Lord, I am but duſt and aſhes: my ſtrength is as nothing; and my thoughts and purpoſes but vain.

2. All my days, before Thee, are as a moment of time: even to my own ſoul, as a flitting dream, which quickly paſſeth away.

3. How ſhall I ſtand in the Day of Judgment? How ſhall I appear before the Throne of God; in the Preſence of the Hoſt of Heaven?

4. I ſaid I would do good; but I did it not: I ſaid I would forſake all ſin; yet, alas! I tranſgreſſed.

5. Help *Thou* me, O my God, and deliver my ſoul: let me not become a reproach:

proach: let not mine enemies triumph over me:

6. For tho' I am weak, and fooliſh in heart, yet Thou, O Lord, art all Powerful, and Good.

7. O let mine iniquity be pardoned, for His ſake, who died, and roſe again: Let me be cleanſed from my wickedneſs and guilt, through Him Who hath Redeemed the world.

8. Let my prayer be heard, through the Interceſſion of The Great Mediator: and let be me ſtrengthened, by the Ever-living Spirit, to Thy Glory.

9. Let my ways be upright; and my works the works of mercy; that in me, *even in me*, O Lord, Thou mayeſt be glorified.

10. Then ſhall I have hope in my latter end: and, in the World to come, ſhall ſtand forth to praiſe God.

11. O my God, thou haſt heaped bleſſings upon me; therefore will I love Thee. In the day of diſtreſs Thou haſt delivered me; therefore will I give Thanks unto Thee.

Ver. 8. Epheſians c. iv. ver. 16.

12. I have deſerved a bitter portion; but have received comfort: and, by the forbearance of my God, I ſtill live to praiſe Him.

13. O that my repentance may be ſincere; and that, even unto the end of my days, I may glorify God, by faithful obedience.

HYMN VIII.

WHEREFORE ſhould my ſoul be diſquieted, and caſt down? wherefore ſhould it be ſo deſolate, and afflicted?

2. Is there not Mercy with God? will not the Lord have pity on thoſe that call upon Him?

3. Yea, as a Father pitieth his own children, even ſo is the Lord compaſſionate towards thoſe that fear Him.

Ver. 1. Pſalm xliii. ver. 5 and 6.
Ver. 3. Pſalm ciii. ver. 13.

4. For He knoweth whereof we are made; He remembereth that we are but duſt.

5. Look upon the days of old, and the times that are paſt:

6. To whom hath the Lord ſhewn mercy? and whom hath He called His people?

7. Even thoſe who were frail, and ſinful: even towards ſuch hath His hand been ſtretched out, to help them.

8. And now hath He appointed a Ranſom for the Souls of men: even unto *ſinners* are opened the gates of Salvation, through the blood of His Dear Son.

9. Thoſe who have turned unto Righteouſneſs, have a ſure hope; and they who ſtrive to become pure, and undefiled, ſhall be made perfect in their latter end.

Ver. 4. Pſalm ciii. ver. 14.

Ver. 6. Numbers c. xiv. ver. 18, 19. Deuteronomy c. ix. Nehemiah c. ix. ver. 19. 31.

Ver. 7. Iſaiah c. i. ver. 18. Wiſdom c. xi. ver. 23. 25, 26.

Ver. 8. Matthew c. xx. ver. 28. 1 Timothy c. ii. ver. 6. Matthew c. ix. ver. 13. Luke c. v. ver. 32.

Ver. 9. Matthew c. v. ver. 6.—c. vii. ver. 7.—c. xii. ver. 20.

10. For even unto ſinners, ſaith my God, through faith, your ſouls ſhall live: Repent, and amend your doings; and ye alſo ſhall have peace in The Laſt Day.

11. O Lord God, how good art Thou! who can comprehend Thy loving kindneſs, and mercy?

12. Oh that we were wiſe to conſider it! and our hearts truly humble, to acknowledge it!

13. If God ſhould ariſe in anger, and ſuffer His Diſpleaſure to be kindled againſt the ſons of men;

14. If he ſhould ſhake terribly the Earth, and deſtroy His creatures, who abuſe His Goodneſs;

15. Who forget God their Maker, and Him Who daily upholdeth their life;

16. By Whoſe bounty they are fed, and Who hath heaped bleſſings upon them;

Ver. 10. Luke c. xxiv. ver. 47. John c. v. ver. 24.—c. xi. ver. 25. Ezekiel c. xxxiii. ver. 14, 15, 16. 19.

Ver. 13. Joel c. ii. ver. 11. 31.

Ver. 14. Haggai c. ii. ver. 6.

17. Would not Juſtice reign?—Lord, forgive the coldneſs of heart, wherewith, whilſt we be ſpared, We give thanks unto Thee.

18. Tho' my ſpirit is weak; yet let my deſire find favour in Thy ſight.

19. Let a ſenſe of Thy forbearance and mercy, make me to love Thee; and to become obedient to Thy word.

20. O Lord, I confeſs my ſin; and humble myſelf before Thee.

21. My Tranſgreſſions have been repeated; and I am utterly vile in my own ſight.

22. But O let my ſoul be healed; and may I yet, even yet, learn obedience to Thy word!

23. Quicken me by Thy Holy Spirit; and let me not be caſt away from Thy Preſence.

24. Let not my heart he harden'd, and inſenſible: Let not my humiliation be tranſient, as the Morning Dew.

Ver. 19. Romans c. ii ver. 4.
Ver. 23. Pſalm li. ver. 11.
Ver. 24. Hoſea c. vi. ver. 4.

25. But

25. But O work in my ſoul that true repentance, that may bring forth fruit unto Life Eternal.

26. Lord, I will humbly hope, becauſe of Thy mercy: I will yet ſeek to Rejoice before Thee.

HYMN IX.

FORSAKE me not, O Lord my Creator, neither give me over unto a reprobate mind.

2. O let not Thine Indignation riſe againſt me; leſt I be conſumed in a moment, and periſh everlaſtingly.

3. Alas, O Lord God, whilſt I receive Mercy, I tremble before Thee; how then ſhould I endure Thine Anger and Diſpleaſure?

4. I confeſs my vileneſs, and abhor my weakneſs: Thou knoweſt how fooliſh and frail I am.

5. If

5. If Thou vouchſafeſt to regard me; I fear, becauſe of mine iniquity: yet if Thou ſhould'ſt be unmindful of me, I ſhould quickly ceaſe to exiſt.

6. O that my ſoul might live before Thee! and that I might obtain the peace which the righteous have!

7. O Holy Lord, I am unworthy; but there is mercy with Thee, and therefore I will not deſpair.

HYMN X.

O Let not my Soul forget The Lord, who hath done ſo great things for me.

2. I will offer the Sacrifice of Thanſgiving; and ſing praiſes, with my whole heart.

3. Yea, tho' He ſhould afflict my ſoul, and bring it low, yet would I give thanks unto Him: and, in the midſt of pain, and trouble, adore His Holy Name.

4. O Lord, I have deſerved miſery; I have deſerved no bleſſing at Thy hands;

5. Yet Thou haſt bleſſed me; and beſtowed good things upon me.

6. Thou haſt upheld my life, from the deſtruction that was ready to overwhelm me: Thou haſt averted the evil, that was ready to fall upon me.

7. Thou haſt given me plenty of the good things of Life; the means of knowledge; and the conſolation of friends.

8. From day to day my life hath been upheld: when I expected ſorrow, I have received comfort.

9. Yet, O my God, how have I returned thanks unto Thee? how have I acknowledged Thy goodneſs?

10. With feeble and backward lips have I adored Thee, and with an heart ſtill prone to evil.

11. And, in the hour of temptation, I have turned aſide, forgetting my Creator and Benefactor.

12. O forgive the folly and perverſeneſs of my heart: and let my contrition, and repentance be accepted, thro' the Mediation of the Redeemer.

13. Let

13. Let the Thankſgivings, O Moſt Higheſt, of Thy ſervant come before Thee: and let my ſoul live to praiſe Thee.

14. Alas, O Lord! what am I, that I have not been cut off, in the midſt of my ſins?

15. Whence is this goodneſs unto me; that whilſt many around me are carried to the grave, I ſtill am ſpared, and live to praiſe God?

16. I have indeed received abundant mercy; and a bleſſing, which I have not deſerved.

17. Therefore will I ſtill hope on God: not preſumptuouſly; but becauſe His Goodneſs and Power are infinite.

18. In the Name of The Redeemer will I lift up my ſoul, unto The Lord Almighty, Who liveth for ever.

19. O my Creator, if it may pleaſe Thee, let my life be ſpared; and prolong my days, to the fulfilling the purpoſes of mine heart for good.

20. Preſerve me from evil and ſin; and may diſeaſe and ſickneſs be removed from me.

21. Give

21. Give me a ſpirit of induſtry, to diſcharge the duties of my ſtation: and grant ſucceſs to my labours, that I may become wiſe.

22. Proſper Thou the works of my hand upon me; O proſper Thou my daily work.

23. Thou, O Lord, art able to do all things; and there is nothing that can reſiſt Thy Will.

24. On Thee alone, O my God, is my truſt; and not on man; or on mine own ſtrength.

25. Thou raiſeſt the humble from the duſt; and confoundeſt the imaginations of the proud.

26. Convert my ſoul from ſin, to the fear of Thee: and make me to be exemplary, and uſeful upon earth.

27. Let me live the life of the righteous, that my laſt end may be like his.

28. O Lord moſt Holy, let my prayer be accepted, for Chriſt his ſake: and let it not be vain, and preſumptuous.

Ver. 22. Pſalm xc. ver. 17.
Ver. 25. Luke c. i. ver. 51.

29. Let the words of my mouth, and the thoughts of my heart, be accepted, through the Mediation of my Lord and Redeemer.

HYMN XI.

O That I were wiſe to underſtand! that I might conſider my latter end!

2. I will look upon the years that are gone; and grieve, for that I have walked vainly therein.

3. Alas! my days are as nothing; and my paſt life, as a tale that is told.

4. O that I had laid hold on inſtruction! and numbered my days by increaſe of wiſdom!

5. I will ſay unto the worm, thou art my brother: and to the duſt of the earth, thou art my ſiſter, and mother.

Ver. 5. Job c. xvii. ver. 14.

6. For

6. For out of the duſt was I taken; and unto the duſt ſhall I return.

7. I brought nothing with me into this world; neither ſhall I carry any thing out of it again.

8. But I ſhall return naked to the grave: and my dwelling ſhall be in ſilence; in the bowels of the earth;

9. Where neither the eye ſeeth; neither doth the ear hear; neither do the lips praiſe God.

10. Thus ſhall my body periſh; and be conſumed, becauſe of ſin.

11. Riches, Honours, and Pleaſures, profit not: neither will they abide at the latter end.

12. But Wiſdom ſhall remain for ever: and the ſoul, that receiveth inſtruction ſhall aſcend on high.

13. Knowledge ſhall increaſe for ever: and the ſeed ſown on earth ſhall bring forth an hundred fold.

Ver. 6. Geneſis c. iii. ver. 19.
Ver. 7. 1 Timothy c. vi. ver. 7.
Ver. 9. Pſalm cxv. ver. 17.
Ver. 12. Wiſdom c. vii. ver. 27.

14. The

14. The Soul that feareth God ſhall never die; but ſhall aſcend into the manſions of Everlaſting Bliſs:

15. Where the Redeemed of God ſhall praiſe Him; and ſhall live for ever and ever.

16. Chriſt their Saviour alſo ſhall lead them; and guide them; and be their Eternal Shepherd.

17. He ſhall raiſe His ſervants from the grave: and drive away the viſions of death.

18. In glory ſhall His Throne be eſtabliſhed: and the Sun, in comparifon of Him, ſhall loſe its brightneſs.

19. Lo, He humbled Himſelf, even unto death, and He is exalted High, above all.

Ver. 14. John c. xi. ver. 25, 26.—c. xvii. ver. 20. 24.

Ver. 16. Ezekiel c. xxxiv. ver. 23. Iſaiah c. xl. ver. 11. Hebrews c. xiii. ver. 20. 1 Peter c. ii. ver. 25. 1 Peter c. v. ver. 4.

Ver. 17. John c. v. ver. 28, 29.

Ver. 18. Revelations c. xxi. ver. 23.

Ver. 19. Philippians c. ii. ver. 8, 9, 10. Hebrews c. xii. ver. 2.

20. Thouſands

20. Thouſands of Saints ſhall miniſter unto Him; and with ſhouting and great joy ſhall they behold Him, when He cometh to Reſtore all things.

21. At the ſound of His voice, the earth ſhall tremble, and yield up the dead, that are therein.

22. The ſea, alſo, ſhall roar, and boil like a cauldron; the mountains alſo ſhall be ſhaken; and the earth ſhall ſmoak, and burn with fire.

23. Terrible ſhall be that day unto the wicked; and to all ſuch as fear not God.

24. But the righteous ſhall rejoice, and lift up their heads; for their redemption draweth nigh.

25. O that I might be found amongſt the ſervants of God! that I might have hope in that day!

Ver. 20. 1 Theſſalonians c. ii. ver. 19.—c. iii. ver. 13.—c. iv. ver. 13, 14. 2 Theſſalonians c. i. ver. 7. 10. Jude ver. 14.

Ver. 22. 2 Peter c. iii. ver. 10. Revelations c. xx. ver. 13.

Ver. 23. Malachi c. iv. ver. 1. 1 Peter c. iv. ver. 18.

Ver. 24. Malachi c. iv. ver. 2, 3. Luke c. xxi. ver. 28. Wiſdom c. iii. ver. 7, 8.

26. Lord, teach me to improve aright the years Thou addeſt unto me; if I may yet live: and turn away my ſoul from vanity, and folly.

27. I will humble myſelf before Thee, O God moſt High. Make me to receive inſtruction, and to be occupied in doing good.

HYMN XII.

O Lord, moſt Holy, Thou art of purer eyes than to behold iniquity;

2. Dreadful in Majeſty; and dwelling in the pure light, which Angels with awful trembling behold.

3. How then ſhould I preſume to look up unto Thee? or how can I make my prayer before God?

4. Alas! at my beſt eſtate, I am but as the duſt of the earth; frail alſo, and imperfect in all my ways.

5. How

5. How then ſhould I worſhip the Lord moſt Holy, when moreover my doings have been perverſe; and I am very ſinful?

6. O Great and Glorious God, Tremendous in Majeſty, ſhould I preſume, *of myſelf*, to come before Thee?

7. Thy tender Compaſſion hath appointed a *Mediator* for man: in His name, I would humbly pray.

8. Through His mediation, I would offer up thankſgivings, and adore Thy Holy Name.

9. How great is Thy goodneſs, O Lord God! when thoſe whom Thou haſt created have forſaken Thee, Thou doſt not readily forſake them:

10. But ſtill recalleſt them; and haſt patience with them; that they may turn unto Thee again.

11. Turn then again unto The Lord, O my Soul; and with trembling hope look up unto Him.

12. O Lord, how great is Thy mercy! when we are vile, and defiled with ſin, Thou yet permitteſt us to pray unto Thee!

13. Thou doſt not deſtroy us becauſe of tranſgreſſions; but inclineſt Thine ear to our frail petitions.

14. Thou quickeneſt the *leaſt* deſires for good; and helpeſt us by Thy Holy Spirit.

15. What reward can I give unto the Lord, for all the good He hath done unto my ſoul?

16. Alas! my thankſgivings and adorations are not worthy to appear before Him: neither can my love, or obedience, profit The moſt High.

17. That which God hath commanded us, in order to obtain His Favour, is only that we ſhould ſeek our own good.

18. The Lord hath truly required *nothing* at our hands; nor can we return ought unto Him:

19. For to keep His commandments, is but to promote our own happineſs: to love and fear Him, is but to increaſe our joy of heart.

20. O love The Lord, ye ſervants of His, lift up your voices to Praiſe His Holy Name.

21. O

21. O draw nigh unto Him; and receive the good, which He ſo freely offereth unto the Souls He hath made.

22. He freely giveth with infinite Compaſſion; O reject not His tender kindneſs and mercies.

23. O my God, Thou haſt created my ſpirit, that it might rejoice, and live before Thee.

24. Thou haſt often delivered me from the grave, and not ſuffered me to periſh in my ſin.

25. O let not hardneſs, or levity of heart deſtroy me: let not vanity, or folly, draw aſide my ſoul.

26. But may I daily, with purer and more fervent love, draw nearer to Thee, for Thou art The fountain of all good.

27. May my heart truly rejoice before Thee: and may I love and magnify Thee with all my might.

28. May I manifeſt my love alſo by keeping Thy commandments, and by doing good to my fellow-creatures.

29. O pardon mine unworthineſs, for Chriſt His ſake, and accept, O God, our hymns of praiſe.

30. May we be juſtified, pardon'd, and ſanctified, through Him Who became a Sacrifice for ſin.

31. And after we have finiſhed our courſe on earth, may we through Him be raiſed, from death, to live before Thee.

HYMN XIII.

O That I might attain unto Righteouſneſs! that I might learn to keep the Commandments of God!

2. That I might be found amongſt them that forſake all ſin, and fear The Lord Moſt High!

3. O that I might be continually occupied in doing good! and be found a faithful ſteward of the talents wherewith God hath intruſted me!

4. That

4. That I might improve all, to His glory; and to the benefit of my fellow-creatures!

5. I know that, were I perfect, I ſhould have nothing whereof to boaſt myſelf; and ſhould be but an unprofitable ſervant.

6. I know, moreover, that I am too frail of myſelf to do good; and unworthy to be an inſtrument thereof to the ſouls of men.

7. But Thou, O Lord, withholdeſt not Thine help from any: Thy mercy, and compaſſion, are extended unto all.

8. Therefore will I hope, that my deſire, and prayer, ſhall not be in vain.

9. Surely the doing good, is the greateſt bleſſing to the doer.

10. The power to perform it, is the gift of God; and the performance thereof no merit that can claim reward.

11. It ſhould excite thankſgiving; and cauſe us the more to humble ourſelves before The Moſt High.

12. How Gracious is the Lord our God! Who promiſeth great reward, if we will but hearken, to do that which is itſelf delight unto the Soul.

13. My God, raiſe me up from ſin and folly; ſtrengthen me by the aſſiſtance of Thy Holy Spirit.

14. Make my life to be ſincere, that even in my failings, O Lord, Thou mayeſt be glorified.

15. O increaſe and confirm the deſires of my heart for good: and do Thou help me, that I may perform them.

16. Preſerve me from being enſnared by the deluſions of the world; or by the levity of mine own heart.

17. Help me to watch carefully; deliver me from temptation; and make me daily to increaſe in faithfulneſs.

18. Then ſhall I give praiſe unto Thee, O Lord, in my latter end; and rejoice, becauſe of Thy power.

19. Through Chriſt my Saviour alone I hope for Pardon, and Mercy: through Him alſo I hope for power to do good.

20. O let not that hope and faith be vain. Thou, Lord God, helpeſt all thoſe that call upon Thee.

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HYMN XIV.

O Lord, Thou knoweſt the trouble of my ſoul: preſerve me ſtedfaſt, that I may do Thy will.

2. Behold, I am in the midſt of temptation; do Thou ſtrengthen me, that I fall not into ſin.

3. I will ſeek Thy favour, O my God: I will not ſeek the praiſe of men; leſt I be enſnared, and led aſide unto evil.

4. I would obtain the good-will of thoſe around me: but Oh let not a weak compliance deſtroy me.

5. Let not thoſe who are my friends, and wiſh my proſperity, draw aſide my ſoul from my purpoſes for good.

6. Guard me againſt thoſe hidden ſnares, which the kindneſs of friends oft ſpreadeth for the ſoul.

Ver. 2. 1 Peter c. v. ver. 10.

7. Let not the miſtaken opinions of any turn me aſide; or a deſire to be approved betray me.

8. I am indeed continually prone unto error; therefore I would not prefer mine own judgement.

9. I would not vainly oppoſe the thoughts of my own heart to thoſe of others; nor vainly condemn them.

10. But whereinſoever I may fully perceive that which is right, O ſtrengthen me, that I may adhere ſtedfaſtly unto it;

11. Alas, O Lord, my ſoul is diſquieted, leſt I be deluded, and turned aſide from good.

12. O root that vanity out of my heart, which is the ſource of all evil.

13. Help me, that I periſh not: my truſt is on Thee, Moſt Mighty, and Thou art faithful and good.

14. I believe Thy Holy Word: O make me a faithful diſciple of Jeſus my Saviour.

15. For His ſake hear my prayer; and let the deſires of my ſoul aſcend unto Thee.

16. O

16. O Lord, deliver me from vain diſquietudes: and enable me in peace to poſſeſs my ſoul.

17. Let not my heart be changed from good; but may that which I have fervently purpoſed, be effectually performed.

HYMN XV.

WHEREFORE art thou ſo diſquieted and caſt down, O my ſoul? and why doſt thou faint in this ſtate of trial?

2. Shall we receive good at the hand of God; and ſhall we not receive evil?

3. Yea, The Lord is very merciful: He beſtoweth abundant good things; and will not ſuffer us to be tempted beyond that we are able.

Ver. 2. Job c. ii. ver. 10.
Ver. 3. 1 Cor. c. x. ver. 13.

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4. The bleſſings He giveth are innumerable: and the evils that befall us, few in compariſon thereof.

5. Whereas we deſerve no good: and our iniquities juſtly merit indignation, and wrath.

6. It is of His great forbearance and goodneſs, that He ſpareth us: ſhall we then murmur, becauſe all evil is not removed?

7. He leadeth us unto repentance; and trieth our ſouls; yea even as ſilver is tried.

8. O my God, I confeſs my ſin; and humble myſelf before Thee.

9. I have murmured, and been rebellious in my heart; I have complained with anguiſh of ſpirit.

10. But O accept the return of my ſoul; and my deſire to be ſubmitted to Thy Will.

11. Oh keep me from the evil that I am not able to bear; that I periſh not through temptation.

Ver. 7. Proverbs c. xvii. ver. 3. Pſalm lxvi. ver. 9.

12. I know, O Lord, that Thou art good: I have experienced Thy mercy; and my whole truſt and hope is on Thee.

13. O my God, I know not what is fit or expedient for me; therefore *Thy* will be done.

14. Appoint for me whatever Thy wiſdom ſeeſt to be beſt; and make me to improve aright Thy gracious appointment.

15. Teach me in whatſoever ſtation I am therewith to be content, and to improve all to Thy glory.

16. Convert my ſoul from ſin, unto righteouſneſs, and goodneſs; and lead me, by Thy help, unto Salvation.

17. Thou, O Heavenly Father, haſt created me; Thou only art able to convert me: Oh ſave my ſoul, and hear me in the day of trouble.

Ver. 15. Philippians c. iv. ver. 11. Hebrews c. xiii. ver. 5.
Ver. 17. Pſalm cii. ver. 2.

HYMN XVI.

O Give thanks unto the Lord of heaven; worſhip Him; and with humble reverence adore His name.

2. O my ſoul, lift up thyſelf unto Him; and offer the ſacrifice of Praiſe and Thankſgiving.

3. Behold, O Lord, all that I poſſeſs is Thine; for Thy bounteous hand has beſtowed all.

4. My life, and the faculties of my mind; my body, and the ſenſes thereof.

5. Thou haſt formed me of the duſt of the earth: Thou alſo haſt made me a living ſpirit, that I might contemplate Thy works.

6. Thou filleſt my mind with a deſire of knowledge, and teacheſt it to thirſt after Truth.

7. Thou haſt placed me in a ſtation, where I may improve my mind: and giveſt me the means of obtaining wiſdom.

8. By the labours of wiſe men am I inſtructed:—but their knowledge, and the ſucceſs of their endeavours, was of Thee, O Lord.

9. Thou

9. Thou, O Father, cauſeſt corn and wine to burſt forth from the earth; and createſt all the food wherewith I am nouriſhed.

10. The leafleſs and dry Tree doth bloſſom, and bear fruit, at the appointed ſeaſon: the ſprings, and fountains of water ariſe out of the hard Rock.

11. Knowledge deſcendeth from Heaven, to the benighted Soul: and comfort ſpringeth up, amidſt the woes of life.

12. Thou giveſt me plenty of good things: and preſerveſt me, day by day, to enjoy them.

13. O Lord, all that is in heaven and in earth is Thine; and whatſoever we have, we have received of Thee:

14. For of Thee, and through Thee, and to Thee, O moſt Mighty, are all things: and Thou, of Thy Goodneſs, upholdeſt all.

15. Unto Thee, O my God, would I offer up my ſoul: O teach me, by improving all to Thy Glory, to make an acceptable ſacrifice unto Thee.

Ver. 14. Romans c. xi. ver. 36.

HYMN XVII.

LORD, remember me in all my troubles, and in mercy look upon me:

2. For bitter diſtreſs has fallen upon me; and I am worn away by my complaining.

3. Where I looked for comfort, I have found ſorrow; and evil hath multiplied on my head daily.

4. Surely I have known affliction, and borne adverſity: and when men thought it was well with me, my heart was pined with anguiſh and grief.

5. When I purpoſed to do good, the power was withheld; and the deſires of my heart have proved vain.

6. Yet wherefore ſhould my ſoul complain? I will not charge my God fooliſhly.

7. I will adore His Holy Name; and humble myſelf before Him.

Ver. 6. Habakkuk c. iii. ver. 17, 18.

8. O Lord God, Thou art very good; and beſtoweſt upon me bleſſings that I have not deſerved.

9. Thou haſt created me; Thou haſt given me all that I enjoy; and daily upholdeſt me by Thy power.

10. Shall the creature ſay unto The Creator, Why am I thus? Is it not in God to diſpenſe His bleſſings according to His Will?

11. Surely then, were I innocent and upright, yet Thou mighteſt juſtly mix evil in my portion, as it pleaſed Thee.

12. But I am wicked and ſinful: and, by perverſe tranſgreſſions, have provoked Thee, O Lord, to anger.

13. Wherefore then ſhould I complain becauſe of my ſorrows; becauſe of the juſt puniſhment of my ſins?

14. I will confeſs mine iniquities; and ſearch my heart; and turn unto Thee, my God, with humble contrition.

Ver. 13. Lamentations c. iii. ver. 39. Micah c. vii. ver. 9.

15. Oh ſave me from eternal pain; and from the deſtruction that cometh upon the wicked.

16. So ſhall my ſoul bleſs Thee, becauſe of Thy merciful correction, and for ever give thanks unto Thee.

17. Forgive, O Lord, the complaints of my heart: Thou knoweſt what is fitteſt for me. Thy Will be done.

18. O accept my purpoſes for good: and, if it may be, enable me *yet* to perform them.

19. Make me ſtedfaſt to do the thing that is right: and keep my ſoul, that I be not enſnared by vain imaginations.

20. O my God, if I may yet live, and ſee good days, teach me to improve them to Thy glory!

21. Behold I have been brought down to the borders of the grave: I have alſo been ſurrounded with diſtreſs and anguiſh:

22. Yet Thou haſt delivered me: I will ſtill therefore hope on Thy Mercy.

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HYMN XVIII.

TEACH me to ſanctify Thee, O my God, in my heart: and ſpiritually to give Thanks unto Thee.

2. Teach me to love Thee, O Lord, with all my ſoul: and with joy to magnify Thy Holy Name.

3. For Thou doſt deliver the ſoul from death, the eyes from tears, and the feet from falling.

4. O Father of Heaven, Creator and Lord of all things, to Thee be Glory, and unfeigned Adoration.

5. Accept it through the Mediation of The Great Interceſſor, Who maketh the thoughts of our hearts to find favour before Thee.

6. Deeply will I humble my ſoul; for, alas, I am as nothing in Thy ſight, and vile.

7. But from *all* be Praiſe, and Glory, and Honour, unto Thee, Lord God Almighty; Who Liveſt for Ever.

Ver. 3. Pſalm cxvi. ver. 8.

PART III.

HYMN I.

DELIVER me, O Lord, from the Captivity of ſin: and let my ſoul live before Thee, in Thine Everlaſting Kingdom.

2. Alas! how wretched is man, through the perverſeneſs of his heart! and how are the Bleſſings of The Almighty perverted, through his folly!

3. Kings reign; and ſeek not their greatneſs in the proſperity of their ſubjects; but enrich themſelves by tyranny, and oppreſſion.

4. And the People, to whom God hath given good Rulers, refuſe to obey. Every one ſaith, I am able to rule: and, by their folly, they draw down calamities on their own heads.

5. The

5. The Nations deſpiſe benevolence, and peace, which would make them great: and with fury ſeek for honour, in each other's deſtruction.

6. They deſpiſe labour, and induſtry, which would procure riches, and glory: and pant after wealth *unjuſtly* acquired, which will not abide with them.

7. Their treaſure and blood are poured forth, to deſtroy their neighbours; and to rob them of their poſſeſſions; which, when acquired, profit not.

8. This God permitteth, as a puniſhment for ſin; and as a juſt reward for man's folly.

9. And, in His Indignation and Wrath, He raiſeth up mighty conquerors: and Biddeth them lay waſte the kingdoms, which have abuſed His bleſſings:

10. Where vice reigneth, inſtead of the Fear of God: and idleneſs, and fooliſh vanities; inſtead of diligence, and the improvement of the mind.

Ver. 9. Iſaiah c. xxxvii. ver. 26, 27. Jeremiah c. xxvii. ver. 6, 7, 8.

11. He maketh alſo Oppreſſors a Scourge unto their own ſouls: and letteth them periſh, in the very deſtruction they have brought upon others.

12. Thus the perverſeneſs of mens own hearts, becomes the ſcourge of their folly: and by the very things wherein they offend, they are alſo puniſhed.

13. But aſſuredly it ſhall not *always* be thus: The Lord will prepare a Kingdom for the righteous:

14. Where the knowledge and fear of God ſhall make His People great: and where the faculties of the ſoul rightly exerciſed, ſhall cauſe them to Rejoice in the acquiſition of true wiſdom.

15. Where benevolence, and kind affections, ſhall produce univerſal Happineſs: and where the Servants of the Lord ſhall ſeek and enjoy Glory, in promoting each other's welfare.

16. Where every ingenious thought of the heart, ſhall render the Creation of God

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Ver. 13. John c. xiv. ver. 2.
Ver. 15. Luke c. xv. ver. 7, 10.

more

more beautiful: and where, by a diligent employment of the faculties He giveth, His creatures ſhall receive Eternal Pleaſure.

17. Where all ſhall be obedient to the Powers ordained: and where thoſe who ſhall Rule, ſhall ſeek only to promote Univerſal Good.

18. Where ſhall be Happy Converſe, with the Spirits of juſt men made perfect: and where the humble ſoul ſhall be admitted to the ſociety of the wiſeſt Beings.

19. Where the Everlaſting God ſhall be worſhipped, in perfect holineſs: and where the Soul ſhall be raviſhed, with the Contemplation of His Divine Perfections.

20. But, O Lord, who ſhall inhabit in This Kingdom? Who ſhall be made partaker of this Everlaſting Joy?

21. The wicked, and unclean, ſhall not enter there: but thoſe that obey Thy will on earth.

Ver. 17. Romans c. xiii. ver. 1. Matthew c. xx. ver. 26 to 29. Luke c. xxii. ver. 26. 29.

Ver. 18. Hebrews c. xii. ver. 22, 23.

Ver. 19. 1 Corinthians c. ii. ver. 9.

22. Thoſe that continue in their perverſeneſs, and folly of heart, can never inherit the Bleſſings of Eternal Life.

23. Their own folly is the very ſcourge of their ſin: and the evil thoughts of their hearts, are ever the flame that torments them.

24. O Lord, have mercy upon me, I pray thee: and redeem me from my wretched ſtate.

25. Grant me true repentance, that my heart may be purified: and overcome the perverſe and evil inclinations thereof.

26. Let my ſoul be ſanctified, by thy Holy Spirit: and let my ſins be forgiven, through the Satisfaction of Jeſus my Saviour.

27. And O let me, *even me*, enter finally into Thine everlaſting kingdom: and let my ſoul taſte the joys it longeth after.

28. Let me, on earth, be exerciſed in ſtriving to do Thy will: and when I depart hence, O Lord, receive my ſpirit.

Ver. 27. Pſalm xlii. ver. 1.

HYMN

HYMN II.

O Lord, deliver me in the day of Thy wrath; and ſave me from the deſtruction that cometh upon the wicked:

2. For, Lo, I do know that Thy judgements are ſure; and that no Word of God ſhall fail.

3. Hath the Lord ſpoken; and ſhall it not be performed? hath He threatened evil to ſinners; and ſhall it not fall upon them?

4. The Moſt High hath created all things for *good:* and in due time His Work *ſhall* be brought to perfection.

5. Unrighteouſneſs, and ſin, are but for a ſeaſon; until the ſervants of The Lord are tried, and found faithful; and are convinced of the unprofitableneſs and folly of tranſgreſſion:

Ver. 2. Matthew c. v. ver. 18.
Ver. 3. Numbers c. xxiii. ver. 19.
Ver. 4. Geneſis c. i. ver. 31. Revelations c. x. ver. 7.
Ver. 5. Matthew c. xiii. ver. 30. 41.

6. For

6. For this cauſe, *peradventure*, the Lord permitteth evil; and ſuffereth many to tranſgreſs: but He calleth *all* unto repentance; and offereth Mercy unto all.

7. And thoſe who will not be convinced; but perſiſt obſtinately in ſin; muſt taſte of the bitterneſs of the wrath of God.

8. When, in His good time, He doth ſeparate the righteous from the wicked; then ſhall a dreadful deſtruction overwhelm them.

9. The heavens, and the earth, ſhall paſs away: and God ſhall again renew all things: and *then* ſhall His Work be perfected.

10. Then ſhall wiſdom and righteouſneſs abound. Then ſhall the Kingdom of God truly come: and the Glory of the Moſt High be revealed.

11. But alas! how ſhall we that have ſinned enter therein! how ſhall thoſe that

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Ver. 6. 2 Peter c. iii. ver. 9.

Ver. 7. Romans c. i. ver. 18. Epheſians c. v. ver. 6. Revelations c. xiv. ver. 10.

Ver. 8. Matthew c. xiii. ver. 41, 42. 49, 50.

Ver. 9. 2 Peter c. iii. ver. 10. 13. Revelations c. xxi. ver. 1.

have fallen in the day of trial, obtain mercy?

12. Even through the Son of The Moſt High God; if we repent, and believe in His Name.

13. When the Lord deliver'd Iſrael from the Bondage in Egypt, and ſlew all the firſt-born of the children of Ham;

14. He ſprinkled His Servants with the Blood of the Paſchal Lamb that was ſlain; and appointed this as a Token and Memorial *for ever*.

15. Even ſo, Lord, redeem my ſoul: and let me eſcape from the fury of the deſtroying Angel.

16. Let me be found ſprinkled with the Blood of Chriſt, through faith; Who was the very Lamb ſlain from the foundation of the world.

Ver. 12. Luke c. xxiv. ver. 47. John c. iii. ver. 15.—c. xi. ver. 25, 26. Acts c. iii. ver. 19.

Ver. 14. Exodus c. xii. ver. 14.

Ver 15. Exodus c. xii. ver. 13. Hebrews c. xi. ver. 28.

Ver. 16. 1 Corinthians c. v. ver. 7. Hebrews c. x. ver. 10. 1 Peter c. i. ver. 19. Revelations c. v. ver. 6. 9. 12.

17. And

17. And when the *Great* Deliverance of Thy Servants is accompliſhed, whereof the wonders in Egypt were a ſign, may I be found amongſt them, to glorify Thy Holy Name!

HYMN III.

O Lord, Who ſhall worthily Praiſe Thee, Moſt High, or Magnify Thy Holy Name?

2. Behold my ſoul hath deſired to do ſo; but I cannot attain unto it,

3. How ſhall I come before The Lord? or appear before The Moſt High God?

4. Shall I ſay unto The Lord, Thou art Great, Wonderful, and Holy: I will give great thanks and praiſe unto Thee!

Ver. 17. Luke c. xxii. ver. 15, 16.
Ver. 1. Pſalm xcvi. ver. 4.

5. Alas!

5. Alas! theſe are but idle words: unleſs I know, and conſider indeed, wherein God is Holy, and Good.

6. They are as a ſacrifice of bulls, and goats: and not the ſpiritual ſacrifice of a reaſonable ſoul.

7. None can truly praiſe God, but ſuch as do indeed comprehend His goodneſs: and who, amongſt the ſons of men, is able to do this?

8. Yet, O Lord, my ſoul ſhall not deſpair; but ſhall ſtrive to worſhip in ſpirit, and in truth.

9. Oh, let my imperfect prayers and adoration be accepted, through Him Who hath fulfilled all righteouſneſs.

10. And now will I ſing, unto The Lord, a New Song: and praiſe His Faithfulneſs and Truth.

11. I will declare His Gracious Dealings with the ſons of men; and the Hope that He hath ſet before us.

12. Before the foundations of the World were laid, or ever the breath of life was

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Ver. 12. Matthew c. xxv. ver. 34. Epheſians c. i. ver. 4. 1 Peter c. i. ver. 20. Revelations c. xvii. ver. 8.

given

given unto man, The Lord appointed the Way of Salvation, and determined all things to work for good.

13. And albeit the perverſeneſs of man's heart, in this ſtate of Trial, cauſeth much evil: yet, even out of *evil*, hath The Lord brought forth that which is profitable to the ſons of men.

14. Let us conſider the days that were of old; and the ages that are paſt: wherein mighty Conquerors were raiſed up, who ſpread deſolation all around.

15. They ſubdued great Kingdoms; and oppreſſed the people: and bound their Princes in chains, and their Nobles in fetters of braſs.

16. They cauſed every pleaſant Land to flow with blood: and bitterly afflicted the fatherleſs, and the widow.

17. And it pleaſed God to permit their rage, for a ſeaſon: and to try the purpoſes of their hearts.

Ver 14. Iſaiah c. xiii. ver. 4.—c. xxxvii. ver. 26, 27.
Ver. 17. Jeremiah c. xxvii. ver. 8.

18. And

18. And when *They* ſought only to gratify their vain ambition; and proudly to rule over the earth; He rebuked them in His anger, and turned them unto the duſt, from whence they were taken.

19. He cauſed the purpoſes of their hearts to fail; and diſappointed them, in that which they had proudly imagined.

20. But the Purpoſe of God ſtood faſt: and what they were permitted to do, was made ſubſervient unto it.

21. By their conqueſts, a way was opened for the improvement of mankind: and the nations were recovered from ſavage barbarity.

22. The arts, and conveniences of life, were rendered more common: and a way was prepared to diffuſe knowledge, from pole to pole.

23. And when a fierce and rude people were permitted to bring deſtruction, on thoſe who abuſed the advantages they en-

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Ver. 18. Iſaiah c. x. ver. 7 to 16.—c. xiv. ver. 13 to 20.
Ver. 20. Iſaiah c. xxxvii. ver. 26. Acts c. iv. ver. 28.

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joyed; they have themſelves been ſubdued by knowledge, and enlightened.

24. Thus, even amidſt the rage and fury of mighty Conquerors, hath the Power and Goodneſs of God been made manifeſt: wonderouſly hath it appeared alſo, amidſt all Changes on the face of the Earth.

25. Mighty Nations have ariſen, and flouriſhed: and again have been brought to deſolation.

26. They have been removed out of their place, and done away, becauſe of their tranſgreſſions; and their glory hath been given unto other people.

27. But hereby, alſo, the Comforts of Life have been ſpread more far and wide: and the Inhabitants of the remoter parts of the Earth, have been called to partake of greater bleſſings.

28. Thoſe who lived in ignorance, and thick darkneſs, have been enlightened: and the barbarians, who had their dwelling with the wild beaſts of the foreſt, have become the teachers of uſeful arts.

29. How

29. How did Science rear her head in Egypt! and how mighty were the Children of Ham!

30. But, behold, their Wiſdom is no more: and a thick cloud hath covered them.

31. The Wiſdom of the Eaſt, alſo, is no more: and their wiſe men are forgotten. How is the Glory of Babylon fallen; and the knowledge of its Princes buried in its ruins!

32. In Greece, and in the Iſles, was much Learning: and their Teachers ſought wiſdom, from the uttermoſt parts of the earth.

33. But darkneſs and oppreſſion now cover the Land; and it profiteth not by their labours.

34. Then aroſe Rome in all its ſplendour: and became the Glory of the whole earth.

35. The Seat of Science;—The Miſtreſs of the World;—The proud Scourge of Princes;—and the Enlightener of barbarous nations.

36. All Theſe, in their days, came forth to Rule: and through their means Science

darted its beams from the Eaſt unto the Weſt.

37. And, behold, as it advanced it appeared more glorious; and mankind were enlightened more and more by its ſhining.

38. The removal of its Seat hath been profitable to the World: and thereby the influence of Wiſdom hath been diffuſed far around.

39. Oh, compare *theſe* days, with thoſe that are paſt: and conſider how gracious God hath been.

40. Let not ignorance and folly cauſe us to admire the darkneſs of ancient times: but let us give glory to God, for the knowledge and arts that are *now* ſpread over the earth.

41. They ſhall increaſe more and more daily: and God ſhall be glorified therein.

42. They are, for a time, abuſed through vice: but ſhall at length, peradventure, be both known to *all*, and rightly improved.

43. And the Nations that ſit in darkneſs, and are fallen from their firſt eſtate, ſhall,

ſhall, haply, again ſee light, when God reſtoreth His people.

44. Surely I do know, that God will fulfill all His Good Pleaſure; and accompliſh the work He hath begun.

45. *By the Revelation of His Word* is *True Wiſdom* ſpread over the earth: and the ſons of men acquire Knowledge, *by the Light of His Goſpel.*

46. Truly, Chriſt hath been a Light to lighten the gentiles, and the Glory of the whole earth.

47. And though the perverſeneſs of men's hearts hath abuſed this glorious bleſſing: yet how hath it inſenſibly prevailed!

48. Oh, let us think of the comfort and peace we now enjoy; and of the ſavage fury that heretofore raged in the world.

49. How is that fury abated; though it ſtill in part prevails! Surely, alſo, peace ſhall at length have univerſal dominion.

Ver. 43. Iſaiah c. xix. ver. 25.—c. xlix. ver. 8,—c. liv. ver. 3. Jeremiah c. xlviii. ver. 47.—c. xlix. ver. 6. 39. Ezekiel c. xvi. ver. 53 to 62.

Ver. 46. Iſaiah c. xlii. ver. 6.—c. xlix. ver. 6.

Ver. 49. Luke c. ii. ver. 14.

50. The Word of God cannot fail. God will fulfill *all* that He hath ſpoken by His Servants the Prophets.

51. The Lord, in His good time, will make all wars to ceaſe: and will ſtill all the rage, and madneſs of the people.

52. And though, for a time, ſuperſtition and blind zeal reign;—and, for a time, wandering error, and unbelief:

53. Yet, the Word of God is ſure; and the Powers of Hell ſhall not prevail beyond their appointed ſeaſon.

54. The Knowledge of the Lord ſhall cover the earth, as the waters cover the ſea.

55. Univerſal Benevolence ſhall abound: and the Nations ſhall ſeek each other's welfare; more than they have ſought each other's deſtruction.

Ver. 50. Iſaiah c. xlix. ver. 23. Zechariah c. viii. ver. 9. Amos c. iii. ver. 8.

Ver. 51. Iſaiah c. ii. ver. 4. Micah c. iv. ver. 3, 4.

Ver. 54. Iſaiah c. xi. ver. 9. Daniel c. xii. ver. 4. Joel c. ii. ver. 28. Habakkuk c. ii. ver. 14. Hebrews c. viii. ver. 11.

Ver. 55. Iſaiah c. ii. ver. 4.

56. And

56. And God ſhall reſtore His People to their own Land: and their reſt ſhall be glorious: and all Nations ſhall rejoice in it.

57. The Land which is now oppreſſed; and lieth deſolate, and barren; ſhall become fruitful: and its Beauty ſhall be the admiration of all men.

58. And it ſhall no longer be trodden down by the Gentiles: for the times of the Gentiles ſhall be fulfilled.

59. Bleſſed are thoſe, who ſhall live, when theſe things be: *They* ſhall indeed give Glory to God, for His Faithfulneſs and Truth.

Ver. 56, 57. See the two long notes at the end of this Hymn, p. 118—123.

Ver. 58. Pſalm lxxxvii. ver. 2. Daniel c. xii. ver. 7. Luke c. xxi. ver. 24. Romans c. xi. ver. 25.

Ver. 59. Pſalm xxii. ver. 32. Pſalm cii. ver. 18. Daniel c. xii. ver. 12. Iſaiah c. lxi. ver. 11. Iſaiah c. xlix. ver. 23. Jeremiah c. xxx. ver. 24.

NOTE TO VERSE 56.

The following Paſſages of Scripture, contain very remarkable Declarations of the Great Bleſſings, deſigned by Divine Providence, to be beſtowed on the Jewiſh Nation, after all their ſufferings are ended; and when they ſhall be gathered from that great Diſperſion, which was alſo moſt plainly foretold.—In theſe Paſſages of Holy Writ, we find it repeatedly proclaimed, that the Almighty will finally fulfill *all* His Promiſes to that unhappy people: They therefore deſerve our moſt ſerious attention, on many accounts. It is probable indeed, that ſome few of them did relate, *primarily*, to the firſt Reſtoration of the Jews, from their Captivity at Babylon; but there are many of them which could not poſſibly relate to that event; and all of them have plainly, a *ſecondary*, a further, and a much more important meaning.—On this occaſion, we ought to remember, and to conſider *well* the full force of thoſe Words of our Bleſſed Saviour, in which He hath told us (Matthew c. v. ver. 17, 18.) "Think not that I "am come to deſtroy the law *or the prophets:* I am not come to "deſtroy, but to fulfill. For verily I ſay unto you, 'till heaven "and earth paſs, *one iota or one tittle* ſhall in no wiſe paſs from "the law, *till all be fulfilled.*"

Deuteronomy	c. xxx. ver. 1 to 11.	Iſaiah	c. lxi. ver. 4 to 9.
Iſaiah	c. ii. ver. 2 to 5.		c. lxii. ver. 4.
	c. xi. ver. 11, 12.		c. lxvi. ver. 20.
	c. xiv. ver. 1, 2.	Jeremiah	c. iii. ver. 17.
	c. xxv. ver. 6 to 9.		c. xvi. ver. 14, 15.
	c. xliii. ver. 5, 6.		c. xxiii. ver. 3 to 9.
	c. xliv. ver. 26.		c. xxx. ver. 18 to 24.
	c. xlv. ver. 17.		c. xxxi. ver. 8 to 14.
	c. xlix. ver. 13 to 23.		ver. 28 to 34.
	c. lii. ver. 1 to 10.		c. xlvi. ver. 27, 28.
	c. liv. ver. 7 to 15.	Ezekiel	c. vi. ver. 9, 10.
	c. lv. ver. 5 to 8.		c. xi. ver. 16 to 20.
	c. lx. ver. 2 to 18.		c. xx. ver. 40 to 45.
			c. xxviii. ver. 25, 26.

Ezekiel	c. xxxiv. ver. 12 to 16.	Micah	c. iv. ver. 1 to 5.
	ver. 23 to 28.		c. iv. ver. 7, 8.
	c. xxxv. ver. 14.		c. vii. ver. 19, 20.
	c. xxxvi. ver. 8 to 15.	Zephaniah	c. iii. ver. 14 to 20.
	c. xxxvi. ver. 21 to 25.	Zechariah	c. ii. ver. 10 to 13.
	ver. 28.		c. viii. ver. 2 to 15.
	ver. 34, 35.		ver. 20 to 22.
	c. xxxvii. ver. 12 to 14.		c. x. ver. 8, 9.
	ver. 21 to 28.		c. xii. ver. 6 to 14.
	c. xxxix. ver. 25 to 29.		c. xiv. ver. 11.
Hoſea	c. i. ver. 10, 11.	Tobit	c. xiv. ver. 5, 6, 7.
	c. iii. ver. 4, 5.	Baruch	c. iv. ver. 36, 37.
	c. vi. ver. 1, 2, 3.		c. v. ver. 3 to 9.
	c. viii. ver. 10.	Romans	c. xi.
Joel	c. iii. ver. 1. 16, 17.	2 Corinthians	c. iii. ver. 16.
Amos	c. ix. ver. 14, 15.		

NOTE TO VERSE 57.

It has been an objection erroneouſly urged againſt the Truth of Divine Writ, that the Land of Judæa is therein repreſented as being ſo exceedingly fertile, whereas it is in reality *now* ſo barren. But thoſe who advanced this objection, ſurely did not conſider, that this very circumſtance is one of the ſtrongeſt proofs of the Veracity of God's Word; and a clear manifeſtation of the exact Completion of thoſe wonderful Predictions of His Servants the Prophets, which were uttered ſo many ages ago.—And truly it may be added, that the perſons who thus endeavoured to overturn the authority of Holy Writ, ſeem not to have been much better acquainted either with Natural hiſtory, or Civil hiſtory, than they were with the Scriptures: for if they had, they might have found proof ſufficient, that Judæa, notwithſtanding its preſent deplorable ſtate of barrenneſs, not only was once capable of being as plentiful a Land, as it is ſaid in the Bible to have been; but may, even by the common exertions of human induſtry, become moſt fertile again. The ignorance and indolence of the preſent inhabitants, and the

ſlaviſh ſyſtem of government which they groan under, together with the tyranny they help to maintain over others, is (to uſe the language of Scripture) the Deſolation of the Gentiles, by whom Jeruſalem is trodden down; and which ſhall cauſe the land to lay waſte, till *their times are fulfilled*, and their dominion ceaſes.

Let us only, with candour, attend to what ſeveral modern Travellers have obſerved; and we ſhall ſoon perceive to what cauſes the preſent wretched appearance of the Holy Land is to be attributed.

Sandys (in his Travels, p. 183.) ſpeaking of the Mountains of Judæa, ſays, "ſome of them are cut (or elſe are naturally ſo) in degrees like alleys, which would be elſe unacceſſably fruitleſs; whoſe levels yet bear the ſtumps of decayed vines, ſhadowed not rarely with olives, and locuſt-trees: and ſurely, I think, that all, or moſt of thoſe mountains have been ſo huſbanded."

Maundrell alſo, in his Travels, bears the like teſtimony:—Speaking of the naked mountains of Judæa, he ſays, (p. 65.) "It is obvious for any one to obſerve, that theſe rocks, and hills, muſt have been anciently covered with earth, and cultivated, and made to contribute to the maintenance of the inhabitants, no leſs than if the Country had been all plain; nay perhaps much more. For the huſbanding of theſe mountains their manner was, to gather up the ſtones, and place them in ſeveral lines along the ſides of the hills, in form of a wall. By ſuch borders they ſupported the mould from tumbling, or being waſhed down, and formed many beds of excellent ſoil, riſing gradually one above another, from the bottom to the top of the mountains.—Of this form of culture you ſee evident footſteps whereever you go in all the mountains of Paleſtine." Thus the very Rocks were made fruitful; and than the plains nothing can be more ſo.

Dr. Shaw obſerves, in his Travels, (p. 336.) "that The Holy Land, were it well inhabited, and cultivated as formerly, would ſtill be more fruitful than the very beſt part of the Coaſt of Syria or Phœnice, for the ſoil itſelf is generally much richer." And he adds, "the barrenneſs, or ſcarcity rather, which ſome authors may

may either ignorantly or maliciouſly complain of, does not proceed from the incapacity, or natural unfruitfulneſs of the Country, but from the want of inhabitants, and from the great averſion likewiſe there is to labour and induſtry in thoſe few who poſſeſs it."

Van Egmont and Heyman alſo confirm the ſame idea; and tell us, (V. I. p. 328.) "they ſaw good barley, and grain, actually growing on the ſummits of the mountains, and between the rocks, where any culture or tillage had been beſtowed."

And Haſſelquiſt ſays (p. 127.) concerning this Country, "The Vales, like the Hills, are not fruitful, but deſerted and uncultivated, being full of pebbles, and without vegetables; nevertheleſs, the earth conſiſts of a good red mould, and would amply reward the huſbandman's toil."

To which I will add only one teſtimony more, that of Mr. Burnaby, who, in his Travels in America (p. 58.) ſpeaking of the nature of ſome parts of the ſoil of that Country (and comparing it with the Soil of Judæa) ſays, "he was aſſured by Wortley Mountague, that the ſoil of Palæſtine *appeared* to be a red ſlaty ſubſtance, ſterile, and incapable of producing any thing worth cultivation; but that being broken up and expoſed to the air, it became exceedingly mellow, and was fertile in the higheſt degree."

Nor is the ſort of Cultivation here ſpoken of at all unuſual; for Heyman ſays (in his Travels, p. 261.) "that in the iſland of Scio the Hills and Vallies are covered with vineyards and gardens, which exhibit a ſufficient proof of the happineſs reſulting from human induſtry, under a rational liberty, having here turned rocks and deſarts into a terreſtrial Paradiſe." And Mr. Armſtrong, in his Hiſtory of Minorca (p. 130.) tells us, "that there are, in that Iſland, Stone Walls that have probably ſtood many ages, run acroſs the ſides of the hills to detain the ſoil; and ſuch hills yield good crops to the very Summits, which muſt otherwiſe have had their rocky entrails laid bare, as is viſible whereever this caution has been neglected." So Oſbeck tells us in his Voyage to China (V. II. p. 290.) "that the natural ſituation of the hills,

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and of the declivities in that Country, would make them incapable of producing any thing; but that to prevent theſe inconveniences, the Chineſe endeavoured to reduce the hills into plains, or at leaſt to make them ſimilar to plains, by terraces, whoſe height and breadth are adapted to the declivity.—Theſe Terraces they employ for ſeveral ſorts of plants, and to each they give ſuch a ſituation as beſt correſponds with its nature. The Terraces are ſometimes four or five feet above one another, and acquire ſuch hard and ſolid banks, by rain and ſunſhine, that they are capable of ſtanding for many years." Le Comte in his account of China (p. 91.) alſo mentions the ſame mode of Cultivation.

This method is alſo adopted in ſome parts of Switzerland; for Dr. Moore (in his View of Manners, &c. V. I. p. 312.) tells us, "that the Country between Lauſane and Vevay is rendered fertile preciſely in this manner. The mountains being cultivated to the Summits, and covered with Vines; this would have been impracticable on account of the ſteepneſs, had not the Proprietors built ſtrong ſtone walls, at proper intervals, one above the other, which ſupport the ſoil, and form little terraces from the bottom to the top of the mountains. The Peaſants aſcend by narrow ſtairs, and before they arrive at the ground they are to cultivate, have frequently to mount higher than a Maſon who is employed in repairing the top of a Steeple."

A Country naturally fertile in many of its plains, and having its hills thus adorned with hanging gardens, muſt appear inconceivably beautiful: and ſuch Judæa once was; and may, by human induſtry, become again.

How capable alſo this Country is of having a more univerſal intercourſe, than any other, with all parts of the earth, is moſt remarkable; and deſerves well to be conſidered, when we read the numerous Prophecies which ſpeak of its future Splendour and Greatneſs, when its people ſhall at length be gathered from all parts of the earth unto which they are ſcattered, and be reſtored to their own Land.—There is no Region in the World to which an

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acceſs from all parts is ſo open.—By means of the Black Sea, and the Mediterranean, there is an eaſy approach from all parts of Europe, from a great part of Africa, and from America.—By means of the Red Sea, and the Perſian Gulph, and the well-known Roads from thence, there is an approach from the reſt of Africa, from the Eaſt-Indies, and from the Iſles, (which are perhaps the very Iſles ſpoken of ultimately by the Royal Prophet, when he ſays, *The Kings of Tarſhiſh and of the Iſles ſhall bring Preſents*); and laſtly, by means of the Caſpian, The Lake (or Sea) of Baykall, and the near Communication of many great Rivers *, the approach is facilitated from all the Northern parts of Tartary.—In ſhort, if a ſkilful Geographer were to ſit down to deviſe the fitteſt ſpot on the Globe for Univerſal Empire; or rather, a Spot where all the Great Intercourſes of human life ſhould univerſally center; and from whence the extended Effects of univerſal benevolence, and good-will ſhould flow to all parts of the Earth; and where univerſal and united Homage ſhould be paid, with one conſent, to The Moſt High; he could not find another ſo well ſuited, in all circumſtances, as that which is with *emphaſis* called The Holy Land.

Theſe Obſervations perhaps may not deſerve great weight, but they ought not to be wholly neglected; eſpecially when it is conſidered, how many paſſages of Scripture there are, which plainly declare, that the time *ſhall* at length come, when Zion ſhall be the Joy of the whole Earth: an Event which cannot be effected (as the Cruſaders vainly imagined) by man's will or device; but, whenever it is accompliſhed, muſt be ſolely the Work of God's over-ruling Providence, bringing to paſs, in His own good time, and manner, thoſe great events, of all kinds, whatever they be, which He has, with infinite Wiſdom, purpoſed and deſigned for Univerſal Good.

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* See Bell's Travels.

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HYMN IV.

THOU, O Lord, art the Source of all Wiſdom, and Knowledge: and there is no *Underſtanding*, but of Thee.

2. Thou inſpireſt the mind of man with the knowledge of uſeful arts: and, in *due ſeaſon*, giveſt Invention to the ſons of men.

3. For, behold, whatſoever uſeful thing is known under the Sun, it is Thou, O Lord, Who haſt revealed it.

4. What is wiſdom in the mind of man; and the faculty of diſcovering the hidden treaſures of knowledge; but the Inſpiration of Thy Bleſſed Spirit, and the Revelation of Thy wondrous works to men?

Ver. 1. Job c. xxviii. ver. 20. 23. Proverbs c. ii. ver. 6. Eccleſiaſtes c. ii. ver. 26. Daniel c. ii. ver. 21.

Ver. 2. Exodus c. xxxv. ver. 31. 34, 35.—c. xxxvi. ver. 1. Daniel c. i. ver. 17.

Ver. 3. Daniel c. ii. ver. 21, 22. 23. 1 Corinthians c. iv. ver. 7. 1 Corinthians c. xii. ver. 11.

Ver. 4. Eccleſiaſticus c. i. ver. 10. 19. Wiſdom c. vi. ver. 16. Wiſdom c. vii. ver. 27. 1 Corinthians c. xii. ver. 4 to 12. James c. i. ver. 17.

5. And

5. And Thou, O Lord, unfoldeſt the knowledge of Thy wondrous works, at due ſeaſons; even at ſuch as Thy Wiſdom ſeeſt fitteſt for the purpoſes of Thy Providence.

6. Surely there is Wiſdom with God. Surely there is moſt wondrous Deſign in the Ways of the Moſt Higheſt; and in His Dealings with the Sons of men.

7. Why could not our Fathers perceive thoſe Truths, which are made known unto us? Why could not they profit by thoſe Arts, which have ſince been ſo quickly attained?

8. Why knew they not the power of the Loadſtone?—Why could not they deviſe the art of Printing?—Why ſaw not they the remote Kingdoms of the World?

Ver. 5. Eccleſiaſtes c. iii. ver. 1. Acts c. i. ver. 7. Acts c. xvii. ver. 26.

Ver. 8. It appears, from the Writings of Seneca, and others, that the Ancients knew all the properties of the Loadſtone, *except its Polarity:* and from the Dies and Stamps ſtill extant in the Britiſh Muſeum, it is manifeſt, that the Romans could ſtamp entire words; ſo near were they to the diſcovery of theſe two great Inventions.

9. Even

9. Even becauſe it was not the Will of God, to reveal theſe things, till it ſhould be found a due time.

10. And ſurely thoſe who ſhall be after theſe days, ſhall behold more, and better things; until all ſhall be perfected, according to the Will of the Moſt High.

11. Yet, alas, my heart is grieved, becauſe of ſin: and becauſe the good things of God are corrupted by a wicked mind.

12. For unleſs Virtue and Religion prevail in the Soul; increaſe of knowledge, and abundance of arts, do but render men more deſperately wicked.

13. Yet aſſuredly it ſhall not always be thus. The raging of ſin ſhall ceaſe: and its power ſhall fade away.

14. Chriſt ſhall utterly deſtroy the captivity of ſin.—He hath bruiſed the ſerpent's head: and its deadly wound ſhall not be healed.

Ver. 9. Luke c. x. ver. 24.

Ver. 10. Iſaiah c. xi ver. 9.—c. lx. Acts c. iii. ver. 19. 21.

Ver. 14. Geneſis c. iii. ver. 15. 1 Corinthians c. xv. ver. 25. Hebrews c. ii. ver. 14. 1 John c. iii. ver. 8. Revelations c. xi. ver. 18.

15. Man

15. Man ſhall eſcape from the venom of the Deſtroyer; and from the cruel bondage of iniquity: and by degrees all ſin ſhall be done away.

16. For behold Chriſt hath ſuffered, and is aſcended up on high. He hath led captivity captive; and received gifts for men; yea even for His enemies; that the Lord God might dwell among them.

17. He hath received Pardon for tranſgreſſors; and the Holy Spirit of God, to be ſhed forth on His Servants, and to enlighten the ſouls of men.

18. And thereby ſhall His Redeemed be purified, and render'd holy; and be reſtored unto their Maker; and they ſhall live in His preſence:

Ver. 15. Hebrews c. ix. ver. 26.

Ver. 16. Pſalm lxviii. ver. 18. Epheſians c. iv. ver. 8. Hebrews c. ix. ver. 28.

Ver. 17. John c. xvi. ver. 7. 13. Epheſians c. i. ver. 18. Hebrews c. ix. ver. 12.

Ver. 18. 1 Theſſalonians c. iv. ver. 17. Hebrews c. xii. ver. 22. 24. 1 Peter c. iii. ver. 18. 1 John c. i. ver. 7.—c. iii. ver. 3. Jude ver. 24. Revelations c. v. ver. 9.

19. But

19. But the Service of God is *perfect freedom*; and thoſe who obey, muſt do it with a *willing* mind.

20. *Therefore* doth the Lord wait with patience; and forbeareth with mercy; and appointeth this ſtate of trial.

21. And herein are the Souls of men ſearched, and approved; and their Lot is determined; even ſuch as ſhall be found fitteſt for them:

22. And, in the World to come, they ſhall ſtand therein with joy: each one in ſuch ſtation, as may beſt enable him to do good.

23. Behold, in that hour, all the Servants of The Lord ſhall rejoice; and ſhall know that they have not been created in vain.

24. Then ſhall the Work of God be perfected; and His Creation appear moſt Holy and Beautiful.

Ver. 19. Luke c. xvi. ver. 13. James c. i. ver. 25. 1 John c. iv. ver. 17, 18.

Ver. 21. Daniel c. xii. ver. 13. Luke c. xvi. ver. 10, 11, 12.

Ver. 22. Matthew c. xxiv. ver. 47.—c. xxv. ver. 21 to 23. Luke c. xix. ver. 17, 18, 19. John c. xii. ver. 26. Wiſdom c. iii. ver. 6, 7, 8.

Ver. 23. Matthew c. xiii. ver. 43. Luke c. xxi. ver. 28.

25. Lo

25. Lo now The Whole Creation groaneth, and travaileth in pain; waiting for the manifeſtation of the Sons of God.

26. But Chriſt ſhall be the Author of All Perfection; and the Reſtorer, and Finiſher of all things.

27. Behold His Fan is in His hand; and He will thoroughly purge His floor; and burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

28. He will finally ſeparate the good from the evil: and Redeem unto Himſelf a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

29. And their zeal ſhall not be in vain: for they ſhall be filled with righteouſneſs; and do the whole will of God.

30. O Lord, let my ſoul be found amidſt Thy ſervants in that day:—and, though I have ſinned greatly, yet even for me, let there be opened a door of Salvation.

Ver. 25. Romans c. viii. ver. 19. 22.

Ver. 26. Daniel c. ix. ver. 24. John c. xiv. ver. 2. Acts c. iii. ver. 21. Hebrews c. x. ver. 12, 13, 14. Revelations c. xxi. ver. 5 and 6.

Ver. 27. Matthew c. iii. ver. 12.

Ver. 28. Matthew c. xiii. ver. 24 to 31.—c. xiii. ver. 47 to 49. Titus c. ii. ver. 14.

Ver. 29. Matthew c. v. ver. 6.—c. xxv. ver. 29.

31. I have ſinned againſt Heaven, and in Thy Sight, and am no more worthy to be called Thy ſon: but, Oh, make me to ſee light, through the Power of the Redeemer.

32. And now, O Lord, may the Coming of Thy Kingdom, even on earth, be haſtened: and, even *here*, may Thy ſervants have power to do good.

33. Oh, quicken the Souls of the Children of men: raiſe up good men to inſtruct thoſe around them; and give ſucceſs unto their labours.

34. May their harveſt be great on earth: and may they have power to do Thy Will.

35. And proſper Thou, O Lord, their labour and work: and give them the Reward that Thy Servants have.

Ver. 31. Matthew c. iv. ver. 16. Luke c. xv. ver. 18. John c. i. ver. 9.—c. viii. ver. 12.—c. xii. ver. 36. 46. 1 Peter c. ii. ver. 9.

Ver. 34. Matthew c. ix. ver. 38.

Ver. 35. Pſalm xc. ver. 17. Hebrews c. xi. ver. 6. 2 Timothy c. iv. ver. 8.

HYMN V.

I SHALL ſee Him;—but not now:—I ſhall behold Him;—but not nigh.

2. A Light ſhall ariſe out of Sion: and Glory from the Land of Iſrael.

3. For, Lo, The Lord our Saviour ſhall deſcend from Heaven; and ſhall plant His Tabernacle with the ſons of men.

4. And He ſhall call the righteous from their graves; and His faithful Servants, that they may behold His glory.

Ver. 1. Numbers c. xxiv. ver. 17. Revelations c. i. ver. 7.

Ver. 2. Iſaiah c. ix. ver. 2.—c. xlix. ver. 6.—c. lx. ver. 2 to 6.—c. lx. ver. 19. Matthew c. iv. ver. 16. Luke c. ii. ver. 32.

Ver. 3. Zechariah c. xiv. ver. 4, 5. 9. Acts c. i. ver. 11. Revelations c. xxi. ver. 3.

Ver. 4. Iſaiah c. xxiv. ver. 23.—c. lii. ver. 13. John c. v. ver. 28, 29. John c. xvii. ver. 24. 1 Corinthians c. xv. ver. 23. Coloſſians c. iii. ver. 4. 1 Theſſalonians c. ii. ver. 19. 1 Theſſalonians c. iii. ver. 13.—c. iv. ver. 13, 14. 2 Theſſalonians c. i. ver. 10. 1 Peter c. v. ver. 1. Jude ver. 14. Revelations c. xx. ver. 4.

5. In Him ſhall *all* the Nations of the Earth be bleſſed: and the *Mighty Work* of God ſhall be perfected.

6. There ſhall be peace upon earth, and abundant Good-Will towards men; and an Increaſe of Knowledge, that ſhall ſhine forth unto Eternity.

7. And the Kingdoms of this World, ſhall become the Kingdoms of The Lord, and of His Chriſt; and He ſhall Reign for ever and ever.

8. In the hope hereof, O Lord, let my ſoul depart in peace: and may I be numbered with Thy Servants, in the Laſt Day.

9. But, alas! Who ſhall be found worthy to behold the Salvation of God; or to ſtand before Him, in the Time of His Viſitation?

Ver. 5. Geneſis c. xii. ver. 3.—c. xviii. ver. 18.—c. xxviii. ver. 14. Iſaiah c. xlv. ver. 18, 19.—ver. 22 to 25. Acts c. iii. ver. 25. Galatians c. iii. ver. 8.

Ver. 6. Pſalm lxxii. ver. 7. Iſaiah c. ii. ver. 4.—c. xi. ver. 5 to 10.—c. liv. ver. 13. Micah c. iv. ver. 3. Luke c. ii. ver. 14.

Ver. 7. Pſalm ii. ver. 8.—xxii. ver. 27.—lxxii. ver. 11. Daniel c. vii. ver. 14. 27. Revelations c. xi. ver. 15.

Ver. 8. Luke c. ii. ver. 29. 32.

Ver. 9. Iſaiah c. x. ver. 3. Pſalm xv. ver. 1. 1 Peter c. ii. ver. 12.

10. Shall I ſpeak peace unto the Generations that be *now* upon earth?—or ſhall the Salvation of The Lord come in their days?

11. Known unto God are all His Works: and He will order all things, in their *due* Seaſon.

12. But His Wrath hath He revealed againſt all ungodlineſs, and unrighteouſneſs of men: and aſſuredly, unleſs they repent, His judgements ſhall fall upon them.

13. Surely, alſo, thoſe who have abuſed the greateſt bleſſings, ſhall receive the greateſt condemnation.

14. Did the Lord ſpare His choſen people Iſrael? or did He ſpare the Nations who Received the firſt lights of the Goſpel?

15. Behold His People are ſcattered into all Countries: and darkneſs and oppreſſion

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Ver. 11. Acts c. i. ver. 7.—c. xv. ver. 18. Acts c. xvii. ver. 26. Romans c. xi. ver. 34. 36. Galatians c. iv. ver. 4.

Ver. 12. Romans c. i. ver. 18.

Ver. 14. Deuteronomy c. xxix. Revelations c. ii. ver. 5. 7. Revelations c. ii. ver. 16, 17.—c. ii. ver. 22, 23.—c. iii. ver. 16.

Ver. 15. Iſaiah c. lx. ver. 2. Ezekiel c. xii. ver. 15.—c. xx. ver. 23.

have overwhelmed the Lands, which firſt heard the Word of God.

16. Aſia, and Judæa, are trodden down by the Gentiles; and have long lain waſte.

17. And ſhall God ſpare the Nations of the Weſt, if they ſtill refuſe to turn unto Him?

18. Alas! ſhall not His Sore Judgements fall on thoſe, who moſt perverſely reject the Light of His Goſpel?

19. They ſhall, peradventure, be inſtruments in the hand of God, to accompliſh His Mighty Work; but they ſhall periſh without hope,

20. And, unleſs they turn and repent, ſhall neither in this world, nor in the next, partake of the Salvation of The Lord.

21. But the Sword, and Pining Sickneſs, and Sore Trouble, ſhall overwhelm them: and their memorial ſhall periſh for ever.

22. Save, O Lord, Thy ſervants, who call upon Thee.—Deliver them from the

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Ver. 16. Aſia Minor. Luke c. xxi. ver. 24.
Ver. 17. Jeremiah c. xxv. ver. 29.—c. xlvi. ver. 28.

Evil

Evil to come;—and mightily Convert the ſouls of men.

23. Oh, let the *future* generations praiſe Thee, and live in Thy Fear.—And do Thou away the evil, that is upon the earth.

HYMN VI.

TURN us now, O God, our Saviour, and let Thine Anger ceaſe from us.

2. Oh, ſpare us yet unto repentance: for, if Thy word goeth forth againſt us, we ſhall be conſumed as in a moment.

3. Oh, that there might be found, amongſt this People, a contrite ſpirit; and an heart to lament, and forſake their miſdoings.

4. For with Thee there is Great Mercy: Thou, Lord, knoweſt our infirmities; and

Ver. 23. 1 Chronicles c. xxi. ver. 8.

remembereſt whereof we are made; and conſidereſt, that we are but duſt.

5. Alas! from the Greateſt, even unto the Leaſt, we have grievouſly offended.—Our tranſgreſſions have been multiplied, in the days of Thy mercy,

6. When the Light of Thy Goſpel hath ſhined upon us, we have *ſcorned* it: and have trampled Thy Word under our feet.

7. When Thou hadſt delivered us from the hands of our enemies and oppreſſors; and hadſt given us both civil and religious freedom; we have become unmindful of Thy Goodneſs, and have perverted Thy Bleſſings.

8. And whereas Thou haſt given us Great Honour, in the preſence of the Nations around us; and Power over remote people, who ſit in darkneſs;

9. We have not profited them, by the Preaching of Thy Word, or the Example of Righteouſneſs; but have oppreſſed them, and been a ſnare unto them.

10. And we have even cauſed them to abhor Thy Word, becauſe of *our* iniquities, and unrighteous dealings; and have given

given occaſion to the blaſphemers to blaſpheme.

11. When Thou haſt fed us to the full, and given us great riches; we have forgotten Thee, The Source of all good; and have waſted Thy Gifts in riot and exceſs.

12. Our Great men, are abhorrers and deſpiſers of Thy Word;—proud boaſters of their iniquities;—and they greedily ſeek for gain.

13. They regard not the welfare of the people; but the fulfilling of their own luſts: and they flee from knowledge, as an evil thing.

14. Our Poor men are abandoned, and deſperate in ſin; they love violence, and wrong; and blaſpheme Thine Holy Name day by day.

15. And we are all given unto vanity, and folly; ſuffering ourſelves to be deceived by iniquity; and walking in the paths that lead to death.

16. Yet Thou, O Lord, ſearcheſt all hearts; and Thou knoweſt, amidſt the ſons of men, thoſe that fear Thee.

17. Thou

17. Thou art able to turn the hardeſt hearts unto repentance; and graciouſly receiveſt the *fainteſt* deſires of amendment.

18. Thou beholdeſt the returning ſinner, when yet afar off: and wilt help him to come unto Thee, O God.

19. Thou wilt not bruiſe the broken reed; nor quench the ſmoaking flax.

20. Oh, let not *This Nation* periſh from before Thee: Let not the Remembrance of it be done away, for ever.

21. Oh, may there yet be room for repentance: and may our hearts be converted, ere Thou hideſt Thyſelf from us.

22. May we *yet* find Acceptance, through Chriſt The Redeemer; and be enlightened, by the Preaching of Thy Holy Word.

23. For His Sake, O Lord, hear this humble prayer: and let it not be preſumptuous in Thy ſight.

Ver. 18. Luke c. xv. ver. 20.

Ver. 19. Iſaiah c. xlii. ver. 3. Matthew c. xii. ver. 20. John c. vi. ver. 37.

Ver. 20. Jeremiah c. xviii. ver. 7, 8.—c. xxvi. ver. 13.

24. Oh,

24. Oh, raiſe up good men, in all Ranks of Life; and place them in ſuch ſtations, where they may beſt do good.

25. Grant them zealous hearts, to be exemplary and uſeful; and give ſucceſs unto their labours.

26. Increaſe the number of the faithful Preachers of Thy Word: and may they be filled with Thy Bleſſed Spirit!

27. May they have hearts boldly to declare the Truth, as it is in Jeſus; and convert the ſouls of many!

28. May they reap an abundant harveſt from this World: and have an abundant recompenſe in that which is to Come!

29. Raiſe up, O Lord, continually, Wiſe Men to bear rule; and give the Power into their hands.

30. Oh, may they faithfully do juſtice; maintain good Laws; and have The Fear of Thee before their eyes!

31. And, deliver us from the hands of wicked men; who ſeek the gratification of their own luſts, and not the publick good.

32. Suffer

32. Suffer not their evil devices to prevail: but confound them; and turn their hearts unto repentance.

33. Truly, for our evil deeds, we might juſtly be given over as a prey unto them: but, Oh, deliver us, for Thy Mercy's Sake.

34. Bleſs, O Lord, The King, whom Thou haſt appointed to rule over us. Grant him an heart to fear Thee, Moſt Higheſt; and, above all, to ſeek Thine Honour and Glory.

35. For therein ſhall he find his own trueſt happineſs; and beſt promote the welfare of his people.

36. Oh, grant him the help of Wiſe Counſellors, and of Good Counſel; and underſtanding to chooſe and follow the thing that is Right.

37. And deliver him from the hands of all his enemies: from thoſe, who openly ſeek his ruin; and from falſe friends, who would be a ſnare unto his ſoul.

38. And to us, his ſubjects, give peaceable, and quiet minds; that we may faithfully diſcharge the duties of Life; and honeſtly promote the publick welfare.

39. Oh,

39. Oh, let not our hearts be deceived, to ſeek our own ruin: but turn us from our evil ways; and make us to ſeek Thee, Our God, with our whole hearts.

40. Alas! O Lord, I am unworthy to make ſupplication; or to lift up my ſoul unto Thee.

41. But if Thou forſakeſt us, we periſh: therefore, confeſſing my ſins, I would ſtill *humbly* pray.

42. O teach others, more earneſtly to lift up their ſouls; and, with holy fear, to cry unto Thee:

43. That the Land where Thy Great Name hath been made known, and Thine Holy Goſpel preached, may not become a reproach amongſt the ſons of men:

44. That we may be delivered from the hands of the enemy, and avenger: and that the Gates of Hell may not prevail againſt the Truth.

Ver. 43. Exodus c. xxxi. ver. 11. 14. Numbers c. xiv. ver. 13. 19.

Ver. 44. Matthew c. xvi. ver. 18.

HYMN VII.

OBE joyful in The Lord, all ye Lands: Serve the Lord with Gladneſs; and come before His Preſence with Thankſgiving.

2. Know, aſſuredly, that The Lord He is God: and conſider, it is He that hath made us, and not we ourſelves.

3. Out of the duſt were we taken; and His Great Power hath given us the Breath of Life.

4. Yea, and therewith hath He freely given all things. *He* cauſeth the Earth, to yield its fruits, for the ſupport of all living creatures.

5. But we have been unmindful of His Mercies; and have forgotten our Creator: and have defiled the world by ſin.

Ver. 1. Pſalm c. ver. 1.
Ver. 2. Pſalm c. ver. 2.
Ver. 3. Geneſis c. ii. ver. 7.—c. iii. ver. 19.
Ver. 4. Romans c. viii. ver. 32.
Ver. 5. Iſaiah c. xxiv. ver. 5.

6. Juſtly

6. Juſtly might we periſh, in our tranſgreſſions: and be overwhelmed with everlaſting puniſhment.

7. Oh, how great were the mercy, to be exempted from miſery! though we ſhould then ceaſe to exiſt!

8. But God's Loving Kindneſs hath *Redeemed* us: and it is our Father's good pleaſure, to give us the Kingdom.

9. For this end, The Lord of Life ſuffered; even Jeſus our Saviour: And He ſhall finally Reſtore all things.

10. O let all People rejoice, and be glad: for *He* ſhall judge righteouſly; and govern the Nations upon Earth.

11. *He* ſhall compleat the Work of God: and finiſh all things with Excellent Beauty.

Ver. 8. Luke c. xii. ver. 32.

Ver. 9. John c. i. ver. 12. Acts c. iii. ver. 19. 21. Titus c. ii. ver. 14. 1 John c. iii. ver. 2.

Ver. 10. Pſalm lxvii. ver. 4.—lxxii. ver. 11.—xcvi. ver. 13. Iſaiah c. ix. ver. 6.—c. xi. ver. 4. Matthew c. xxv. ver. 31 to 46. Revelations c. xi. ver. 15.

Ver. 11. John c. iv. ver. 34. Romans c. viii. ver. 19 to 23.

12. He ſhall do away all evil: and beſtow Everlaſting Peace.

13. The Creation ſhall no longer groan, and travail in pain: but its expectation ſhall be accompliſhed, by the manifeſtation of the Sons of God.

14. And all Creatures ſhall rejoice therein: and every Spirit, which God hath made for good.

15. Behold the Potter faſhioneth his clay: and purpoſeth to bring his work unto perfection:

16. But the maſs is long unſhapen: and *evil* doth it ſeem, till it is finiſhed.

17. The Sculptor alſo heweth the marble; and deſigneth an exquiſite device:

18. But rude are the outlines, and rough the ſtrokes of the chiſſel; till, by degrees, the beauty of the work appeareth.

Ver. 12. Iſaiah c. ii. ver. 4.—c. liv. ver. 13. Luke c. ii. ver. 14. John c. xiv. ver. 27.

Ver. 13. John c. xvi. ver. 21, 22. Romans c. viii. ver. 21, 22.

Ver. 14. Job. c. xxxviii. ver. 7. Pſalm xxxvi. ver. 7.

Ver. 15. Pſalm ii. ver. 9. Romans c. ix. ver. 21. Jeremiah c. xviii. ver. 6.

19. Even

19. Even ſo, peradventure, The Lord permitteth evil, only for a ſeaſon, until *His* Great Work be perfected.

20. Not at once, but in ſix days, were the Heavens and the Earth made: In due portions of time, alſo, ſhall the Spiritual World be compleated.

21. Behold firſt night appeared; and then the bright day: firſt evil is known; and then good.

22. And even The Lord of Life hath firſt ſuffered; that He might hereafter appear in Glory.

23. Such are the Ways of God with man: but nothing, that He hath made, ſhall be found created in vain.

Ver. 19. Iſaiah c. xlv. ver. 7. 18. John xvi. ver. 21. Hebrews c. xi. ver. 40.

Ver. 20. Geneſis c. i. Iſaiah c. lv. ver. 10, 11.—c. lxvi. ver. 8, 9. Mark c. iv. ver. 26, 27, 28, 29. Galatians c. iv. ver. 4.

Ver. 21. Geneſis. c. i. ver. 5. Luke c. xxii. ver. 53. Romans c. xiii. ver. 12.

Ver. 22. Iſaiah c. lii. ver. 14, 15. Acts c. xvii. ver. 3.

Ver. 23. Proverbs c. xvi. ver. 4. Eccleſiaſtes c. iii. ver. 11. Iſaiah c. xlv. ver. 18.—c. xlix. ver. 7 to 12.

24. Surely the Works of The Almighty on Earth ſhall not be deſtroyed, till Righteouſneſs hath prevailed; and till all things be fulfilled.

25. And then ſhall the generations of men know, that there is *a gracious End*; and that no word of God can fail.

26. When all hath been accompliſhed, this Earth ſhall be deſtroyed by fire: but Chriſt ſhall again create all things new.

27. A more Glorious Heaven; and more Perfect World: an Everlaſting Habitation for the Sons of God.

Ver. 24. Daniel c. vii. ver. 27. Malachi c. iv. ver. 5, 6. Matthew c. v. ver. 18.—c. xvii. ver. 11.—c. xxiv. ver. 14. Hebrews c. x. ver. 13,

Ver. 25. Iſaiah c. xlv. ver. 18.—c. lv. ver. 10, 11.—c. lxi. ver. 11. and ſee the note at the end of this Hymn, p. 148, 149.

Ver. 26. Iſaiah c. li. ver. 6.—c. lxv. ver. 17. 2 Peter c. iii. ver. 7. 10. Revelations c. xxi. ver. 5.

Ver. 27. Pſalm xxxvii. ver. 30. 35.—civ. ver. 30. Iſaiah c. lxvi ver. 22. Romans c. viii. ver. 19. 2 Peter c. iii. ver. 13. Revelations c. xxi. ver. 1.

28. So

28. So ſhall all be finiſhed; and Everlaſting Glory and Praiſe be rendered unto The Moſt High.

29. Let us now live unto Thee, O Lord; and work Thy Work, O God, in this our day.

30. Let our Spirits rejoice before Thee in hope; and offer up the Sacrifice of Thankſgiving.

31. Teach us to embrace, and maintain, the Truth: and make us to be faithful labourers in Thy Vineyard.

32. And may we be found not to have lived in vain: but to have laboured to promote The Kingdom of Chriſt.

33. Behold, we now go on our way, on Earth, ſorrowing for ſin: but, Oh, let us come again with joy, and bring our ſheaves with us.

Ver. 28. Matthew c. xxv. ver. 34. Revelations c. xvi. ver. 17.

Ver. 29. John c. ix. ver 4.

Ver. 30. Romans c. v. ver. 2.—c. xii. ver. 12.

Ver. 31. Matthew c. ix. ver. 38. 1 Corinthians c. iii. ver. 9.

Ver. 33. Pſalm cxxvi. ver. 7. Malachi c. iii. ver. 16, 17. Matthew c. v. ver. 4. Galatians c. vi. ver. 9.

NOTE TO VERSE 25.

We are moſt obviouſly led to remark at leaſt the *poſſible* improvement of the State of Mankind, from a very ſtriking and affecting reflection, naturally ariſing from the conſideration of thoſe immenſe Tracts, of the richeſt and moſt fertile parts of the Globe, that are ſtill entirely uncultivated, and hardly at all inhabited. All that vaſt Territory*, lying between the Northern parts of Tartary on the one hand, and Perſia, India, and China, on the other, from the Caſpian Sea, to the Eaſtern Ocean, though bounded in ſome places by ſandy deſerts, is one of the moſt fertile, and beſt Countries in the World, and watered by moſt noble Rivers and Lakes; yet it is, for the greateſt part neglected, being inhabited only by a few ſcattered tribes of wandering Tartars, who remain in a moſt uncivilized ſtate: and a very few Ruſſian Towns, planted in ſome remote parts of it, are juſt the outlines of a beginning of cultivation.—All the interior and beſt parts of the Great Continent of North America, by the *Obio*, and the Lakes, and beyond them, are equally rich, but in the ſame deſolate condition.—And a like account may be given of many of the interior, and beſt parts of South America, and alſo of Africa. In ſhort, the buſy Scene of life, hitherto, amidſt which any improvement of the ſtate of mankind has as yet been made, and all the tumults, wars, confuſions, and miſchiefs of Society, ariſing on mankind's firſt emerging from a ſtate of barbarity, may be obſerved to have been confined almoſt to the very *ſkirts* of the earth; and, in many inſtances, to its moſt unpromiſing, and leaſt valuable territories; and the beſt parts ſeem to have been reſerved for better times.—Shall we not then look forward to a Period, when the moſt improvable Regions of this World ſhall alſo be made uſe of, and be duly cultivated, for the ſervice of man, and for the Glory of the Creator; and when, agreeable to the expreſſion of the Prophet Iſaiah (c. xlii. ver. 4.), The Iſles (peradventure, *even the many, and great Iſles of the vaſt Southern Ocean,)* ſhall wait for His Law, *and hearken to it.*

* See Bell's Travels, vol. I. p. 298, and vol. II. p. 130. 136. 139. 159.

At

At the ſame time, let us alſo remark the admirable plan of The Goſpel; and the apparent gracious proceedings of God's Providence, both with regard to this World, as well as with regard to that which is To Come; in that, it is *thereby* made eſſentially neceſſary, as a previous ſtep towards mankind's attaining true comfort, and ſolid advantage in *either*, that the minds of men ſhould be diveſted, as far as poſſible, of thoſe inordinate paſſions, and corrupt diſpoſitions, and deſires, which would ſoon render any ſtate of Society, even in heaven itſelf, uncomfortable, and miſerable; unleſs they, by ſome means or other, be controuled, and ſubdued to the dictates of reaſon, law, and truth.

The firſt Language founded forth by the Goſpel, is not a clear Declaration of the final beſt improvement of the condition of mankind, here on earth, which ſhall, ſome time or other, peradventure, at length, take place; but contains thoſe Divine Admonitions, which are *previouſly* neceſſary, to prepare a peculiar people, *zealous of good works**; and well fitted both to become the inſtruments of good to others, and, in the completeſt manner, to enjoy and reliſh it themſelves.

* Titus c. ii. ver. 14.

HYMN VIII.

OPRAY for the Peace of Jeruſalem.—They ſhall proſper that love her.

2. Peace be within her walls: and plenteouſneſs within her palaces.

3. Behold God hath ſmitten her, becauſe of her ſins: and hath given her over as a prey unto her enemies.

4. She is oppreſſed; and trodden down by the Gentiles; and her children are ſcattered into all Lands.

5. The Words of Moſes, and the Prophets, are fulfilled: and ſhe is become a *Sign* unto the ends of the Earth.

6. For

Ver. 1. Numbers c. xxiv. ver. 9. Pſalm cxxii. ver. 6. Iſaiah c. lxii. ver. 6, 7.

Ver. 3. Iſaiah c. l. ver. 1.

Ver. 4. Leviticus c. xxvi. ver. 33. Nehemiah c. i. ver. 8. Jeremiah c. xiii. ver. 24. Ezekiel c. xxxiv. ver. 6.

Ver. 5. Leviticus c. xxvi. ver. 14 to 45. Deuteronomy c. xxix. ver. 22 to 29.—c. xxxi. ver. 16, 17, 18. 29. Joſhua c. xxiii. ver. 15, 16. Jeremiah c. v. ver. 15 to 18.—c. xxvi. ver. 6.

Ezekiel

6. For ſhe crucified the Lord of Life; and hardened her heart: and ſhe is waſted; and the days of her viſitation are many.

7. But ſhe ſhall not be utterly forſaken: for God will remember His Mercies, and His Promiſe for ever.

8. 'Till the days of the Gentiles are fulfilled, ſhall ſhe travail in ſorrow: but the Lord will comfort her, at the laſt.

9. She is cut off, like a dead branch, and withered; and ſtandeth as a mark to confirm the faith of the Gentiles: that they may be gathered in, and obtain Mercy and Grace.

Ezekiel c. v. ver. 10. 12. 15.—c. vi. ver. 8, 9, 10.—c. xii. ver. 15.—c. xiv. ver. 8.—c. xx. ver. 23.—c. xxii. ver. 15.—c. xxxix. ver. 23, 24.

Ver. 7. Leviticus c. xxvi. ver. 40 to 45. Deuteronomy c. xxx. ver. 1 to 10. Iſaiah c. xlix. ver. 15 to 19.—c. liv. ver. 7, 8.—Jeremiah c. xvi. ver. 16.—c. xxiii. ver. 5.—c. xxx.—c. xxxi. Ezekiel c. xx. ver. 34 to 39.

Ver. 8. Iſaiah c. vi. ver. 11 to 13.—c. xlix. ver. 13. to 23.—c. lii. ver. 1 to 10. Ezekiel c. xxxiv. ver. 12 to 16. Luke c. xxi. ver. 24.

Ver. 9. Romans c. xi.

10. But, alas! if God ſpared not his *own* people; and their diſobedience is ſore puniſhed; ſhall *we* eſcape, if we reject ſo Great Salvation?

11. They crucified the Lord of Life: for when He came unto His own, His *own* knew Him not.

12. But He is come unto us, and we know Him.—Yet, alas! do we alſo reject and ſcorn His Love?

13. Are not our ways, more evil than their ways? and our ſin, above the meaſure of their guilt?

14. Spare us, O Lord, and convert our ſouls: and let not Thy Love, and Mercy, be in vain.

15. And Oh! return unto Thy people; and grant them peace and reſt.

16. Let the fulneſs of the Gentiles come in; and let Thy People rejoice therein.

Ver. 10. Romans c. xi. ver. 21. Iſaiah c. li. ver. 22, 23.

Ver 11. Iſaiah c. xlix. ver. 7. John c. i. ver. 10, 11. Acts c. ii. ver. 36.—c. iii. ver. 15.

Ver. 15. Iſaiah c. lxii ver. 6, 7. Jeremiah c. xxxi. ver. 10. 27, 28.

Ver. 16. Iſaiah c. lx. ver. 2 to 11.—Luke c. xiii. ver. 35.—c. xxi. ver. 24. Romans c. xi. ver. 25.

17. Remove

17. Remove the vail that covereth their hearts: and enlighten their eyes, that they may embrace the Truth.

18. May they bewail their ſins; and ſorrow for their impenitency; and turn humbly unto Chriſt their Saviour, that He may dwell amongſt them for ever.

19. Hear, O Lord, our prayer; and let it not be preſumptuous in Thy ſight.

20. Let our ſouls love Thy people; and the lot which Thou haſt choſen for Thine Inheritance.

21. And may we find acceptance, praying for their Converſion, and Return; and that their wound may be healed.

Ver. 17. Ezekiel c. xxxvi. ver. 26. 2 Corinthians c. iii. ver. 15, 16.

Ver. 18. Deuteronomy c. xxx. ver. 1 to 10. Jeremiah c. xxxi. ver. 18. Ezekiel c. vi. ver. 9, 10.—c. xi. ver. 19.—c. xxxiv. ver. 23.—c. xliii. ver. 7. Hoſea c. xiv. Zechariah c. viii. ver. 3. 7. 8.—c. xii. ver. 10, 11. Matthew c. xxiii. ver. 39.

Ver. 20. Deuteronomy c. ix. ver. 29.—c. xxxii. ver. 9.—c. xxvi. ver. 18, 19. Pſalm xxxiii. ver. 12.

Ver. 21. Iſaiah c. li. ver. 18. Jeremiah c. xxx. ver. 17.—c. xxxi. ver. 7. Rom. c. xi. ver. 15.

22. Surely

22. Surely if they ſeek The Lord, they ſhall find Him; ſurely if they ſeek their God, with all their ſouls, He will not be far from them.

23. Let Judah be ſaved;—and let Iſrael dwell ſafely;—and manifeſt the Glory of the Lord our Righteouſneſs.

24. And let all the Nations of the Earth give Praiſe unto the Lord; and Rejoice in the Preſence of God Moſt High.

25. And, Oh, let Thy People ſay, *Bleſſed be he that cometh in The Name of the Lord.*

26. Oh that The Salvation were given unto Iſrael, out of Sion! Oh that The Lord would deliver His People out of Captivity!

27. Then ſhould the Children of Jacob, according to the Promiſe, rejoice; and The true Iſrael of God ſhould be right glad.

Ver. 22. Deuteronomy c. iv. ver. 29.

Ver. 23. Jeremiah c. xxiii. ver. 5 to 8.—c. xxxiii. ver. 16.

Ver. 24. Deuteronomy c. xxxii. ver. 43. Pſalm cii. ver. 15, 16. Iſaiah c. lii. ver. 7. 10.—c. lx. ver. 15.—c. lxvi. ver. 10. Jeremiah c. xxxiii. ver. 9. Ezekiel c. xxxvii. ver. 28. Tobit c. xiv. ver. 5, 6, 7.

Ver. 25. Matthew c. xxiii. ver. 39.

Ver. 26. Pſalm liii. ver. 7.

Ver. 27. Pſalm liii. ver. 8. 31.

PART IV.

HYMN I.

BLESSED be The Lord God, The Creator of all things; and for ever adored, and praiſed, be His Holy Name.

2. O let them that are wiſe praiſe Him, and magnify Him, becauſe of His Great Goodneſs.

3. Let them exalt, and glorify Him, becauſe of His Excellent Works: and for the Redemption which He hath wrought for the ſons of men.

4. With His Own Right Hand, and with His Holy Arm, hath He gotten Himſelf the Victory.

Ver. 2. Daniel c. xii. ver. 10. Eccleſiaſtes c. xv. ver. 7. 9. 2 Eſdras c. xii. ver. 38.—c. xiv. ver. 26. 46, 47.

Ver. 4. Pſalm xcviii. ver. 2.

5. He

5. He hath wrought Redemption alone; and of the people there were none with Him.

6. Who hath believed the Report of The Lord? or to whom hath the knowledge of the Holy One been revealed?

7. For *He* came down, like the dew on the green herb; ſilently, and with meekneſs, to heal, and to reſtore all things.

8. Lo, the Kings of the earth, and the mighty men, furiouſly oppreſſed; and were adored.

Ver. 5. Iſaiah c. lxiii. ver. 3. 5.

Ver. 6. Iſaiah c. liii. ver. 1. John c. xii. ver. 38.

Ver. 7. Pſalm lxxii. ver. 6. Iſaiah c. xlix. ver. 8.—c. liii. ver. 2.

Ver. 8. Chriſtians would do well to compare the Lives and Actions even of Auguſtus Cæſar, and much more of Tiberius, and Caligula, with the Hiſtory of our Bleſſed Saviour; and to remember, that *they* were almoſt *ſole* Lords of the World, about the time that Chriſt was humbling Himſelf for our Redemption: and that Seneca has obſerved of Caligula, who reigned a ſhort time after Our Lord's death, "that Nature ſeemed to have brought "him forth, to ſhew what miſchief *could* be effected by the "greateſt vices ſupported by the greateſt authority."

9. They

9. They exercised a cruel authority over their people; and made them endure an heavy bondage; and were called *Benefactors.*

10. But the King of Kings descended from above; and became the Servant of all; and was numbered with the *Transgressors.*

11. He bore our sins; and suffered for our iniquities; and gave His Soul a Ransom for many.

12. That He might deliver *His* people from the bondage of sin; and from the power of the Adversary of mankind.

13. And whilst the Great men of the earth caused many to perish; and destroyed *their* servants, in their wrath;

Ver. 9. Matthew c. xx. ver. 25. Luke c. xxii. ver. 25.—One of the Ptolemies of Egypt was called Euergetes, or Benefactor, for bringing back their Idols, which Cambyses had carried out of Egypt (Prideaux's Connection, vol. III. p. 113.)

Ver. 10. Isaiah c liii. ver. 12. Mark c. xv. ver. 28. Luke c. xxii. ver. 26. 37. John c. x. ver. 36. Philippians c. ii. ver. 6 to 10. 1 Timothy c. vi. ver. 15. Revelations c. xix. ver. 16.

Ver. 11 and 12. Isaiah c. liii. ver. 5 to 12. Matthew c. xx. ver. 28. Mark c. x. ver. 45. John c. i. ver. 29. Acts c. xxvi. ver. 18. Romans c. vi. ver. 22.—c. viii. ver. 21.—2 Corinthians c. v. ver. 18, 19. Colossians c. i. ver. 13. Titus c. ii. ver. 14. Hebrews c. ii. ver. 14.—c. ix. ver. 26.—1 Peter c. ii. ver. 24.—c. v. ver. 8.—1 John c. iv. ver. 10.

14. The Lord of Life gave *Himſelf* to ſuffer a bitter death; that He might redeem, and ſave, thoſe who were unworthy that He ſhould Reign over them.

15. *They* were of the earth, earthy; but *He* was The Lord from Heaven; deſcending from The Glory of The Father.

16. *They* are periſhed; and their names abhorred; but The Lord, Our Saviour, liveth for ever, to make Interceſſion for us.

17. *He* is returned to the Glory of The Father, which He inherited ere the world

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Ver. 14. Iſaiah c. liii. ver. 12. Luke c. xxiii. ver. 34. John c. iii. ver. 14, 15. Acts c. iii. ver. 15. Galatians c. i. ver. 4. 1 Timothy c. ii. ver. 6. 1 Peter c. iii. ver. 18.

Ver. 15. Pſalm li. ver. 5. John c. iii. ver. 13. 31. John c. xvi. ver. 28.—xvii. ver. 5. 1 Corinthians c. xv. ver. 47, 48.

Ver. 16. Iſaiah c. xxvi. ver. 14.—c. l. ver. 9. Hebrews c. vii. ver. 25.

Ver. 17. Mark c. i. ver. 24. John c. v. ver. 23.—c. x. ver. 30.—c xiii. ver. 3.—c. xvi. ver. 15. 28.—c. xvii ver. 5. Epheſians c. i. ver. 20, 21, 22.—c. iv. ver. 9, 10.—1 Peter c. iii. ver. 22.—2 Peter c. iii. ver. 18. Revelations c. v. ver. 13.—c. vii. ver. 10. See alſo the following remarkable Texts, referred to by Mr. Bowyer, in his Notes, on John c. i. ver. 1. Matthew c. i. ver. 23. Acts c. xx. ver. 28. Romans c. ix. ver. 5. Philippians c. ii. ver. 6. 1 Timothy c. iii. ver. 16. Titus c. ii. ver. 13. Hebrews c. i. ver. 8.

was:

was: He is One with God; and ſhall be Glorified with God.

18. And, at the appointed time, He ſhall again come, and poſſeſs His Kingdom; and reward His ſervants, according to their works.

19. And they who would not behold Him in His humiliation, humbling Himſelf for their Salvation, ſhall weep and wail, when, with terror, they behold His Glory.

20. For His Glory, is not as the glory of the mighty men of this world; as an unprofitable vapour, that paſſeth away; but is Great, and Terrible, and Fearful; Commanding, and Subduing all things, for ever.

21. *They* killed the body; and had no more that *they* could do: but *He* is able to deſtroy both body and ſoul in hell.

Ver. 18. Matthew c. xxv. ver. 14. 19. Luke c. xix. ver. 15. Acts c. i. ver. 11.—1 Theſſalonians c. iv. ver. 16.—2 Theſſalonians c. i. ver. 7. 10. Epheſians c. i. ver. 10.

19. Iſaiah c. lii. ver. 13 to 15—c. lxiv. ver. 1, 2, 3. Romans c. xiv. ver. 9. Revelations c. i. ver. 7.

Ver. 20. Philippians c. iii. ver. 21.

Ver. 21. Matthew c. x. ver. 28.—c. xxviii. ver. 18. Luke c. xii. ver. 5. Revelations c. i. ver. 18.

22. *They*

22. *They* ſought only their own glory: but *He* ſeeketh that God ſhould be glorified, by the exaltation of all His Servants.

23. Lo; they did ſmite their fellow-ſervants; and yet were had in honour: they did eat and drink with the drunken; and yet were called gods:

24. But the Lord of all, Who humbled Himſelf unto death, ſhall cut them aſunder; and appoint them their portion, where ſhall be weeping and gnaſhing of teeth.

26. O Praiſe God, with a fervent ſpirit; and give Thanks with the whole heart.

27. Rejoice before The Lord, our Saviour; and magnify His Holy Name; for The Lord, our God, is Holy.

Ver. 22. John c. vii. ver. 18. 2 Corinthians c. i. ver. 20.

Ver. 23. Matthew c. xxiv. ver. 48 to 51.—Many of the Roman Emperors, and eſpecially Caligula, Nero, and Domitian, were not only *ranked* amongſt the gods, even in their life-times, but had alſo temples, and altars erected to them, and prieſts appointed, and ſacrifices offered up to them, by their idolatrous ſubjects.—And Domitian aſſumed the Title of *Lord God.*

Ver. 24. Pſalm ii. ver. 5, 9. Iſaiah c. xxiv. ver. 21. Luke c. xii. ver. 46.

HYMN

HYMN II.

WHEREWITH ſhall I come before The Lord; and appear before The Moſt High God?

2. Can I offer the ſacrifice of Righteouſneſs; or worſhip with true holineſs?

3. Can I be juſtified in the Preſence of my Maker, or be found pure when I am judged?

4. Can I make expiation for my ſin? or can I even turn again unto God, with perfect obedience?

5. Oh! that there were an heart in me always to do the thing that is right!—Oh, that I were blameleſs, and uncorrupt before God!

6. But it is not in man to walk perfectly: nor in the ſons of men to be truly holy.

Ver. 1. Micah c vi. ver. 6.
Ver. 3. Proverbs c. xx. ver. 9.
Ver. 6. Jeremiah c. x. ver. 23. 25. Romans c. iii. ver. 23.

7. Enter not, therefore, into judgement with Thy Servant, O Lord, for *in Thy Sight* ſhall no man living be juſtified.

8. Yet do I know, that Thou requireſt Truth in the inward parts; and a *ſincere* ſpirit of obedience.

9. I do know that Thou hateſt all iniquity: and abhorreſt the hypocrite, and perverſe tranſgreſſor.

10. And Thy wrath ſhall be poured out upon the wicked; and they ſhall periſh, with an horrible deſtruction.

11. Teach me then, Oh teach me, to flee unto a place of ſafety: and to obtain help, and deliverance, right early.

12. Lo, Thou haſt provided for us a Rock of Defence: and haſt appointed One Mighty to Save.

Ver. 7. Pſalm cxliii. ver. 2.

Ver. 8. Pſalm li. ver. 6.

Ver. 10. Nahum c. i. ver. 2. 6. John c. iii. ver. 36. 2 Theſſalonians c. i. ver. 8, 9. Revelations c. xiv. ver. 10.

Ver. 12. Pſalm lxxxix. ver. 20. Iſaiah c. lxiii. ver. 1. John c. x. ver. 28.

13. Even One Wonderful in Power; and Who hath fulfilled All Righteouſneſs: *The Lord our Saviour*, is His Name.

14. He hath made Expiation for ſin: and hath ranſomed, and redeemed the Souls of Men.

15. He will not reject thoſe that come unto Him: nor ſuffer their hope to fail.

16. But for His ſake ſhall their ſins be forgiven: and though they have been as ſcarlet, they ſhall become whiter than ſnow.

17. He will quicken them by His Spirit; and enable them to attain unto Righteouſneſs.

18. Through Him ſhall the penitent and humble ſoul be accepted; and its imperfections pardoned.

Ver. 13. Iſaiah c. ix. ver. 6. Matthew c. iii. ver. 15. Luke c. ii. ver. 11. John c. iv. ver. 42.

Ver. 14. Matthew c. xx. ver. 28. Mark c. x. ver. 45. John c. i. ver. 29. Romans c. iv. ver. 25. Hebrews c. ix. ver. 28. 1 Peter c. iii. ver. 18.

Ver. 15. Matthew c. xii. ver. 20. John c. vi. ver. 37.

Ver. 16. Iſaiah c. i. ver. 18. John c. iii. ver. 16.

Ver. 17. John c. xv. ver. 5. Epheſians c. ii. ver. 1. 5. Coloſſians c. ii. ver. 13.

19. Through Him, alſo, ſhall its frail endeavours to do good be even rewarded; and reckoned for righteouſneſs.

20. For Faith in Chriſt ſhall ſanctify the ſpirit of man; and purify the heart like a refiner's fire.

21. Turn us then, O Good Lord; and ſo ſhall we be turned.—Oh, grant us *true* repentance; and our ſouls ſhall live.

22. Pardon our infirmities, for Jeſus Sake: and may we be juſtified, freely, through His Righteouſneſs.

23. And, Oh, may we be enabled, abiding in Him, to walk in newneſs of life here; and to attain unto perfect holineſs hereafter.

Ver. 19. Galatians c. iii. ver. 6. Philippians c. i. ver. 11. James c. ii. ver. 23.

Ver. 20. Daniel c. xii. ver. 10. Malachi c. iii. ver. 3. John c. iii. ver. 16. 36. Acts c. xv. ver. 9.—2 Theſſalonians c. ii. ver. 13.—Titus c. ii. ver. 14. Hebrews c. ix. ver. 14.—1 Peter c. i. ver. 22.—1 John c. iii. ver. 3 —c. v. ver. 5.

Ver. 21. Pſalm lxxxv. ver. 4. Jeremiah c. xxxi. ver. 18.

Ver. 22. Romans c. iii. ver. 24, 25. Galatians c. iii. ver. 11. —c. iii. ver. 22 to 25. Coloſſians c i. ver. 14.

Ver. 23. John c. xv. ver. 4. Romans c. vi. ver. 4.—2 Corinthians c. v. ver. 17. Philippians c. i. ver. 11.

24. Wo be to the ſoul, that believing continueth wilfully in tranſgreſſion. Oh, ſave us from this dreadful aggravation of guilt!

25. And keep Thy Servants, alſo, from all preſumptuous ſins; leaſt they get the dominion over us.

26. Oh, lead us from ſtrength to ſtrength; 'till we come unto Thee, The God of Gods, in Sion.

27. And then let us appear amidſt the Redeemed of Chriſt; and give all the Glory unto Thee, O Lord, through Him.

28. Even for that mighty Work; The Renovation, and Exaltation, of loſt Souls.

29. O Praiſe The Lord, ye Sons of Men; and magnify His Name; for He is Holy.

30. O Give Thanks unto Him, for His great Mercy; and with gladneſs embrace the *appointed* means of Salvation.

Ver. 24. Romans c. vi. ver. 1.
Ver. 25. Pſalm xix ver. 13.
Ver. 26. Pſalm lxxxiv. ver. 7.
Ver. 27. Revelations c. v. ver. 9.
Ver. 28. 2 Corinthians c. v. ver. 18, 19.

31. Lift up your hearts with Love unto Chriſt our Saviour: and, in His Name, worſhip The Moſt High.

32. O Lord, our God, increaſe our Faith; and perfect Thy mighty work in our ſouls.

33. And let not the Adverſary prevail againſt us; nor boaſt himſelf of the wrong that he hath done.

HYMN III.

DELIVER me, O Lord, for I have truſted on Thee, and my hope hath been on Thy Righteouſneſs.

2. O let not the ſeed ſown in my heart be choaked, and periſh, through the deceitfulneſs of ſin.

3. My ſoul hath delighted in thoſe who prophecy in Thy Name.—Let me not be

Ver. 2. Mark c. iv. ver. 19.
Ver. 3. Matthew ç. vii. ver. 22, 23.

found

found finally amongſt the workers of iniquity.

4. Alas! the ſorrows of my heart are enlarged: for it is treacherous, and deceitful beyond meaſure.

5. The things that I would I do not: and my ſoul is continually enticed unto ſin.

6. And mine enemies that ſurround me are many: and they that lie in wait to take away my ſoul are mighty.

7. But, Oh, be Thou my Deliverer, and ſtrong-hold, whereunto I may alway reſort; Lord, be Thou my Helper!

8. Save me from the hands of all my enemies: and from the frowardneſs and treachery of mine own heart.

9. Even when I purpoſe zealouſly to do good; I am involved in evil: and ſeeking to withſtand iniquity; I offend againſt my neighbour.

Ver. 4. Jeremiah c. xvii. ver. 9. Matthew c. xv. ver. 18.
Ver. 5. Romans c. vii. ver. 19.
Ver. 7. Pſalm lxxi. ver. 2. Proverbs c. xviii. ver. 10. Nahum c. i. ver. 7.
Ver. 8. Jeremiah c. xvii. ver. 9.

10. Striving to maintain the thing that is right; anger and wrath caſteſt down my ſoul: and deſiring to devote my life to Thy Service; I become wickedly anxious for the events thereof.

11. I delight in the purpoſe of doing good;—and covetouſneſs, that root of all evil, ſtealeth into my ſoul.

12. Thus am I ſurrounded with temptation; even following that which is right: and, alas! how oft doth my heart turn from the paths of Righteouſneſs!

13. But Thou art mighty to ſave: therefore I will not deſpair.—Let mercy be extended unto me, by Thine Holy One:—and convert, and heal my ſoul.

14. Let His Words ſink deep into my heart: and let not the remembrance of them be rooted out, for ever.

15. May they be always preſent before me; that my life may be conformed unto them.

Ver. 11. Luke c. xii. ver. 15. Coloſſians c. iii. ver. 5.—1 Timothy c. vi. ver. 10.

Ver. 14. John c. v. ver. 24.—c. viii. ver. 51.—1 John c. ii. ver. 5.

16. Make

16. Make me to become meek, and lowly in heart, that I may find reſt unto my ſoul.

17. Make me to eſchew evil, and to do good: to ſeek peace, and to enſue it.

18. And behold me in mercy, O Lord, for the ſake of Jeſus, *The Righteous:* and let Thine ears be open unto my prayer.

19. Help me, alſo, that I may with ſincerity forgive; even as I hope to be forgiven:—and that I may have fervent Charity towards all men.

20. That I may lay aſide indignation, and wrath, which belong not to the ſons of men:—and that I may obtain that mighty power, even to love mine enemies.

21. I have ſaid in my haſte, All men are unjuſt.—For giveus, Lord, our mutual ſins; and make us to become forbearing towards each other.

Ver. 16. Matthew c. xi. ver. 29.
Ver. 17. 1 Peter c. iii. ver. 11, 12.
Ver. 18. 1 John c. ii. ver. 1, 2.—1 Timothy c. i. ver. 15.
Ver. 19. Matthew c. vi. ver. 14.—1 Peter c. iv. ver. 8.
Ver. 20. Matthew c. v. ver. 44.
Ver. 21. Pſalm cxvi. ver. 10. Coloſſians c. iii. ver. 13.

22. I have experienced Thy mercy and help, in the time of need:—yet my heart has become diſtruſtful, and vainly anxious for the proviſions of life.

23. But, Oh, may I learn to caſt all my care upon Thee, my God:—for, Thou, Lord, careſt for Thy Servants.

24. May I ſeek above all Thy Kingdom, and Thy Righteouſneſs; and ſay, in all things, *Thy Will be done!*

25. May content and chearfulneſs poſſeſs my Soul! and may I obtain that peace which the world giveth not!

26. For great peace have they that love Thy Law; and they are not offended at it.

27. Oh, let not my heart be troubled; neither let it be afraid: but deliver me from the ſnares of the evil one, that I periſh not, through mine own folly.

28. I abhor to do wrong, through the abuſe of power:—Let me not be driven to injure, through timid anxiety.

Ver. 23. 1 Peter c. v. ver. 7.
Ver. 24. Matthew c. vi. ver. 33.
Ver. 25. Iſaiah c. xlviii. ver. 22. John c. xiv. ver. 27.
Ver. 26. Pſalm cxix. ver. 165.

29. But

29. But let the words of Thy Law be dearer unto me, than thouſands of gold and ſilver.

30. Cauſe me to take heed unto my ways; that I offend not with my tongue.

31. And may I keep my mouth, as it were with a bridle, while the ungodly is in my ſight.

32. Thy Law, O Lord, is moſt holy: when Thou makeſt my ſoul to comprehend it, I am diſmayed: for I am not able to fulfill it.

33. But guide me by Thy counſel; and ſtrengthen my heart through faith; and ſo bring me at laſt unto Thy Glory;

34. Even to behold the Glory which Thou haſt given unto Him, Who hath fulfilled all Righteouſneſs, and Who will make all things perfect.

Ver. 29. Pſalm cxix. ver. 72.
Ver. 30. Pſalm xxxix. ver. 1.
Ver. 31. Pſalm xxxix. ver. 2.
Ver. 33. Pſalm lxxiii. ver. 23.
Ver. 34. John c. xvii. ver. 24. Coloſſians c. i. ver. 28. Hebrews c. v. ver. 9.—c. xii. ver. 23.—1 Peter c. v. ver. 10.

35. And

35. And Who gave Himſelf to ſeek, and to ſave *that which was loſt*; and to call *ſinners* to repentance.

36. Do away mine offences, Good Lord; and blot out my tranſgreſſions;—And let not my ſins be remembered againſt me.

HYMN IV.

O LORD, look upon me in mine adverſity: and conſider my complaint.

2. For my Soul is amongſt lions: and I am become abhorred, and an outcaſt amongſt men.

3. The Deſtroyer rageth to devour me: and the ſons of men ſtand afar off from me.

4. Becauſe I would ſpeak to them of Righteouſneſs, and everlaſting Peace, there-

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Ver. 35. Matthew c. xviii. ver. 11. Luke c. v. ver. 31. Luke c. xix. ver. 10.

Ver. 2. Pſalm lvii. ver. 4, 5.

Ver. 3. 1 Peter c. v. ver. 8.

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fore they abhor me: and they hate me, becauſe I do not follow after vanity.

5. Alas! I am ſinful, even as they:—wherefore ſhould they caſt me out, becauſe I ſeek deliverance?

6. My Soul draweth near unto deſtruction: and I am made weary of my days.

7. Nevertheleſs my hope ſhall be on Thee, O God; and my ſoul ſhall declare, that Thou art Good.

8. Alas! what am I, that I ſhould complain? ſurely I ſhould then charge my God fooliſhly.

9. I know, O Lord, that Thou formeſt light, and doſt create darkneſs: that Thou makeſt Peace, and createſt evil: that Thou, Moſt Mighty, doeſt all theſe things.

10. Shall we receive good at Thy hands, O Lord, with thankfulneſs; and not meekly receive evil?

Ver. 7. Habakkuk c. iii. ver. 17, 18.

Ver. 8. Micah c. vii. ver. 9.

Ver. 9. Iſaiah c. xxxi. ver. 2.—c. xlv. ver. 7. Amos c. iii. ver. 6.

Ver. 10. Job c. ii. ver. 10.

11. Or ſhall the thing formed ſay unto Him that formed it, Wherefore haſt Thou made me thus?

12. Shall we diſclaim Thy Watchful Providence; and ſay, God hideth Himſelf, and careth not for the ſons of men?

13. Lo, there is nothing befalleth us, but by Thy Will:—from Thee are the iſſues of Life and Death.

14. O my God; when evil befalleth me, teach me to humble my ſoul; and to ſearch my heart, that I may repent.

15. And when Bleſſing is beſtowed upon me, make me to rejoice with thankſgiving; and to improve all to Thy Glory.

16. For ſo ſhall all be made to work for good; and I ſhall yet have joy, in my latter end.

17. Truly I do know, that ſhould I perverſely periſh, even my deſtruction ſhould be turned to Thy Praiſe.

Ver. 11. Iſaiah c. xlv. ver. 9.
Ver. 12. Pſalm xciv. ver. 7. Ezekiel c. ix. ver. 9.
Ver. 13. Job c. xii. ver. 10. Matthew c. x. ver. 29, 30.
Ver. 16. Romans c. viii. ver. 28.
Ver. 17. Proverbs c. xvi. ver. 4. Romans c. ix. ver. 22, 23.

18. For Thy Holy Work ſhall ſurely be accompliſhed: and nought but good ſhall finally prevail.

19. But, Oh, hear me, in an acceptable time: and, whilſt Thou mayeſt be found, help me to call upon Thee:

20. Even in this Day of Salvation; before the grave ſhutteth its mouth upon me.

21. So ſhall my ſoul live to praiſe Thee: for the Adoration of a contrite heart ſhall be accepted.

22. And in the World to come Thou ſhalt hear my voice: and an outcaſt of men ſhall give Glory unto God.

23. Oh, my God; let me not be *caſt out from Thy Preſence*; though I be indeed unworthy to appear before Thee!

Ver. 18. Daniel c. ix. ver. 24. Matthew c. xiii. ver. 41. Romans c. ix. ver. 28. Revelations c. xxi. ver. 4.

Ver. 19. Pſalm xxxii. ver. 7. Iſaiah c. xlix. ver. 8.

Ver. 20. 2 Corinthians c. vi. ver. 2.

Ver. 23. 2 Theſſalonians c. i. ver. 9.

24. But may I find Acceptance, and Mercy, for Jeſus ſake!—ſo ſhall my ſorrow be turned into joy.

HYMN V.

WO is me; that I am conſtrained to dwell with Meſhec, and to have my habitation amongſt the Tents of Kedar.

2. Wo is me; that I am overwhelmed with ſin; and conſtrained to dwell amongſt ſinful men!

3. My ſins have taken ſuch hold upon me, that I am not able to look up: they are more in number than the hairs of my head; and my heart hath failed me.

Ver. 24. John c. xvi. ver. 20.
Ver. 1. Pſalm cxx. ver. 4.
Ver. 3. Pſalm xl. ver. 15.

4. I am oppreſſed and trodden down, whilſt I mourn for my tranſgreſſions; and mine enemies triumph over me.

5. And how ſhall I call upon the Lord, or lift up my ſoul unto The Moſt High God?

6. Lo, if I were pure, and undefiled, I were yet unworthy to appear before Him: for I am as nothing amidſt His Works.

7. Even on Earth, I am as a ſand on the ſea-ſhore.—Amidſt the Hoſts of Heaven, what remembrance can be had of me?

8. If my Repentance had been fulfilled for many years; and if my obedience were become perfect; yet ſtill were I but in the midſt of ſin; yea though I had departed from all iniquity for a long ſeaſon.

9. For lo a thouſand years, in the ſight of God, are but as yeſterday: how much leſs then all the days of my life!

10. But through Jeſus, The Saviour, The Chriſt, The Meſſiah, The Lord per-

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Ver. 9. Pſalm xc. ver. 4.
Ver. 10. Hebrews c. vii. ver. 25.

mitteth even ſinners to pray unto Him.—And His Interceſſion is Mighty to ſave from the uttermoſt depths of hell.

11. He beholdeth the returning ſinner afar off; and hath mercy and compaſſion upon him.

12. Therefore will I cry unto The Lord, with my whole heart; even in the midſt of my ſins: yea, even unto The Moſt High God will I make my ſupplication.

13. O Lord, Thou haſt known my ſoul in temptation, and in adverſity.——Even before I could diſtinguiſh between good and evil the enemy did rage againſt me.

14. I have gone aſtray, from my mother's womb, and have been entangled in the ſnare; and I have groaned under an heavy bondage.

15. But I beſeech Thee, O Lord, to let me go free; that I may be enabled to ſerve Thee, in Righteouſneſs, and true Holineſs.

Ver. 11. Luke c. xv. ver. 20.

Ver. 14. Pſalm cxix. ver. 176.—2 Timothy c. ii. ver. 26.

Ver. 15. Iſaiah c. xlii. ver. 7.—c. lxi. ver. 1. Luke c. i. ver. 75.

16. Thou

16. Thou art able, and mighty to deliver unto the uttermoſt:—therefore I will humbly cry unto Thee.

17. Albeit it were impoſſible with man; yet with Thee all things are poſſible.—O Lord, I beſeech Thee, deliver my ſoul.

18. Oh help me, that I may recover from the ſnare of the evil one; and be no longer led in captivity.

19. And grant, that, through faith in Jeſus, I may obtain the victory:—for I believe in His Name.

20. In whatſoever evil befalleth me, O Lord, I accept the puniſhment of my offences:—but, Oh, turn Thee again, and have mercy upon me.

21. In my trouble, I will humble my ſoul, and ſay,—I will bear the indignation of The Lord, becauſe I have ſinned againſt Him;

Ver. 17. Matthew c. xix. ver. 26.
Ver. 18. 2 Timothy c. ii. ver. 26.
Ver. 19. Romans c. x. ver. 9. 1 John c. v. ver. 4, 5.
Ver. 21. Micah c. vii. ver. 9.

22. Until He plead my cauſe, and execute Judgement for me.—He ſhall bring me forth to the light; and I ſhall behold His Righteouſneſs.

23. For Thou, O Lord, art a God that pardoneth iniquity, and paſſeſt by tranſgreſſion; and retaineſt not Thine anger for ever; becauſe Thou delighteſt in mercy.

24. Oh, turn Thee again, and have Compaſſion upon me! ſubdue mine iniquities; and caſt my ſins into the depths of the ſea.

25. O Lord, deliver my ſoul from death, mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling:

26. And let me walk before Thee, O my God, in the Land of the Living.

Ver. 22. Micah c. vii. ver. 9.
Ver. 23. Micah c. vii. ver. 18.
Ver. 24. Micah c. vii. ver. 19.
Ver. 25. Pſalm cxvi. ver. 8.
Ver. 26. Pſalm cxvi. ver. 9.

27. O Lord, be Thou my Helper, and Redeemer. Oh, my God, make no long tarrying.

HYMN VI.

O LORD, whenſoever I go hence, let Thy ſervant depart in peace, through comfort of Thine Holy Word.

2. For my ſoul hath believed on Thy Salvation.

3. Thy Mighty Work ſhall be accompliſhed: and the Generations to come ſhall behold Peace, and Righteouſneſs.

4. But not through their own ſtrength; or accompliſhed by man's wiſdom.

5. The Nations ſhall be puniſhed for their offences, and hardneſs of heart: and Thine own Right Hand, and Holy Arm, ſhall alone obtain the victory.

Ver. 27. Pſalm xl. ver. 21.

6. O let The Spirit be poured on Thy People, from on High;—and let the wilderneſs become a fruitful field.

7. And let Thy People dwell in a peaceable habitation; and in ſure dwellings; and in quiet reſting places.

8. Oh, that there were an heart in me truly to praiſe God; and to magnify His Holy Name; and to make known His wondrous works!

9. Oh, that I might glorify God, by devoting all the faculties of my ſoul, for ever, to His Service; and to the manifeſtation of His Goodneſs and Mercy!

10. My God,—from the duſt of the earth, and the very ſtones of the ſtreet, Thou canſt raiſe up ſervants, more fervently to praiſe Thy Name.

11. Therefore, I am not, in this matter, worthy to be accepted.

Ver. 6. Iſaiah c. xxxii. ver. 15.
Ver. 7. Iſaiah c. xxxii. ver. 18.
Ver. 10. Matthew c. iii. ver. 9. Luke c. iii. ver. 8.

12. But as it hath pleaſed Thee to put *this* deſire into my heart, Oh let it not utterly fail, for Thy Mercies ſake.

13. When Chriſt, Who is our life, ſhall appear, let my ſoul *rejoice* in His Glory.

14. And remember me, O Lord, according to the favour that Thou beareſt unto Thy People: and Oh viſit *me* with Thy Salvation.

15. That I may ſee the Felicity of Thy Choſen; and rejoice in the Gladneſs of Thy People; and give Thanks with Thine Inheritance.

Glory Be To The Father, and To The Son, and To The Holy Ghoſt:

As it was in The Beginning, is Now, and Ever Shall Be, World without End.
Amen.

Ver. 13. Coloſſians c. iii. ver. 4.
Ver. 14. Pſalm cvi. ver. 4.
Ver. 15. Pſalm cvi. ver. 5.

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LET not the Reader be miſled by any thing that is written in this Book; but let him ſearch the Scriptures; and from thence *alone* judge, whether the ſentiments expreſſed herein be worthy of his aſſent; for they can have no claim thereunto, but what is founded on their ſtrict conformity with the Word of God.—He that compoſed theſe Hymns, pretended not to be wiſer or better than other men; but was a ſinful, and frail being, on whoſe ſoul may Almighty God, for Jeſus's ſake, have mercy. —He wiſhed, and endeavoured, with ſimplicity of ſpirit, to make the few good thoughts it pleaſed God to put into his heart, in ſome ſmall degree uſeful to others; and that they might be ſomewhat profited, by his diligent and conſtant ſtudy of The Holy Scriptures.—And although ſome of the Penitential Hymns, eſpecially in the Second Part, and thoſe containing Prayers, were adapted to particular circumſtances of

of his own life, and are therefore little intereſting to others; yet he thinks they alſo, may poſſibly be uſeful, and acceptable to ſome few perſons, occaſionally, when in a ſituation any way ſimilar; and therefore he ſuffered them to go forth with the reſt. May Almighty God bleſs even the weakeſt endeavours to do good!

THE END.

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